

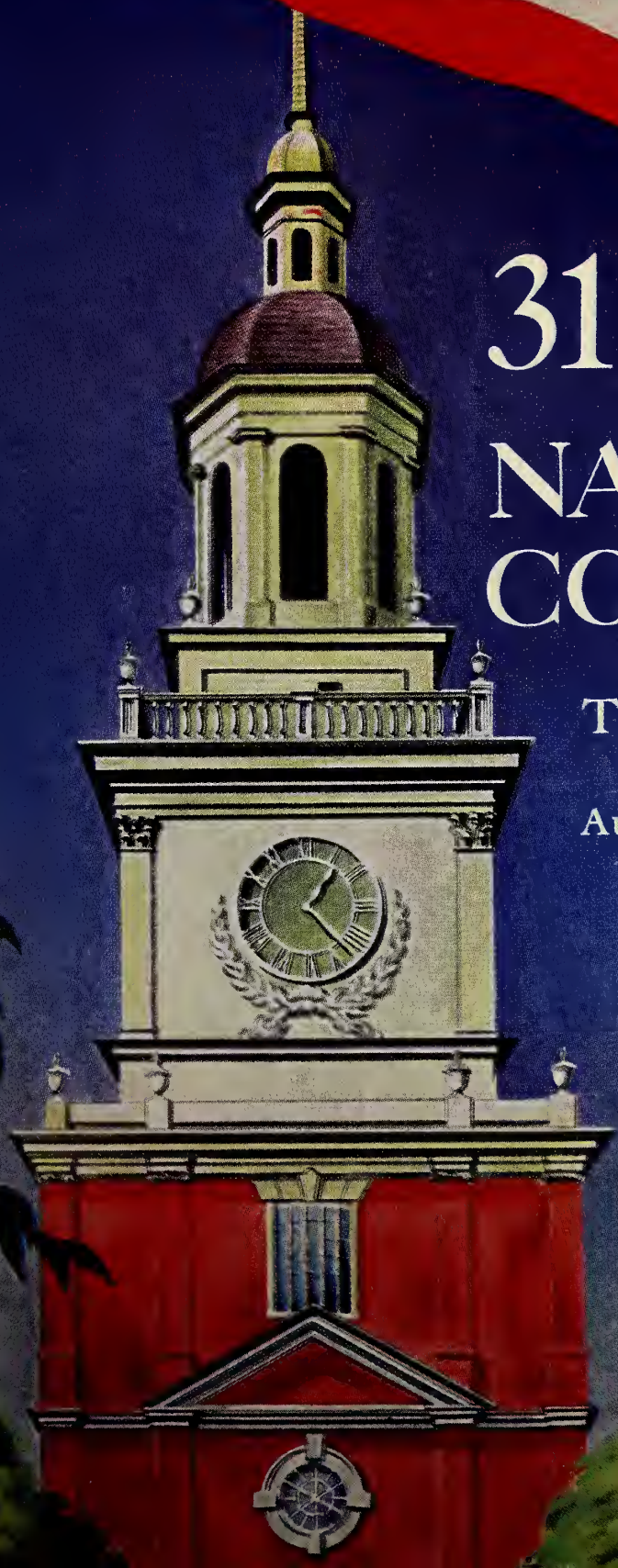


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THE AMERICAN LEGION

August 29, 30, 31, September 1, 1949

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



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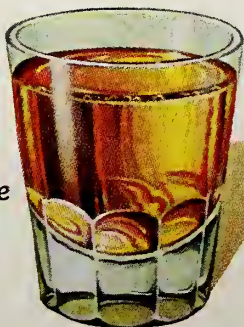
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Auxiliary

La Boutique des
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Thirtieth Annual
Promenade Nationale

Twenty-ninth Annual
National Convention

Twenty-eighth Annual
Marche Nationale



Preamble to the Constitution ... of The American Legion

FOR God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the Great Wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.



PERRY BROWN

National Commander

The American Legion



FOR the second time in 23 years The American Legion is meeting in national convention in Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love.

The American Legion has come a long way since it first assembled here in 1926. Its membership then was 688,412 in some 11,000 posts.

In 1926 we had only one World War behind us. We had only 4,000,000 veterans to serve. Today we have two World Wars behind us. We have almost 19,000,000 veterans and their families to serve.

In one respect The American Legion has not changed. Its primary concern still is the welfare of our disabled comrades and their loved ones and the care of the widows, orphans and dependent parents of those who gave their all in the service of God and Country.

While we have remained devoted to our ideal of rehabilitation service, we must raise our sights because our horizon of service in this field has been immeasurably widened. We cannot hope to discharge adequately our 1949 obligations with 1919 or 1926 standards.

Your foremost task as delegates to this convention is to gear The American Legion to meet its expanded responsibilities. There has never before been a convention of our organization which has had to weigh so many demands upon The American Legion for so much more service in rehabilitation, in Americanism, in national security and in child welfare as this year. All of our programs continue to grow as our potential of service grows with our two-

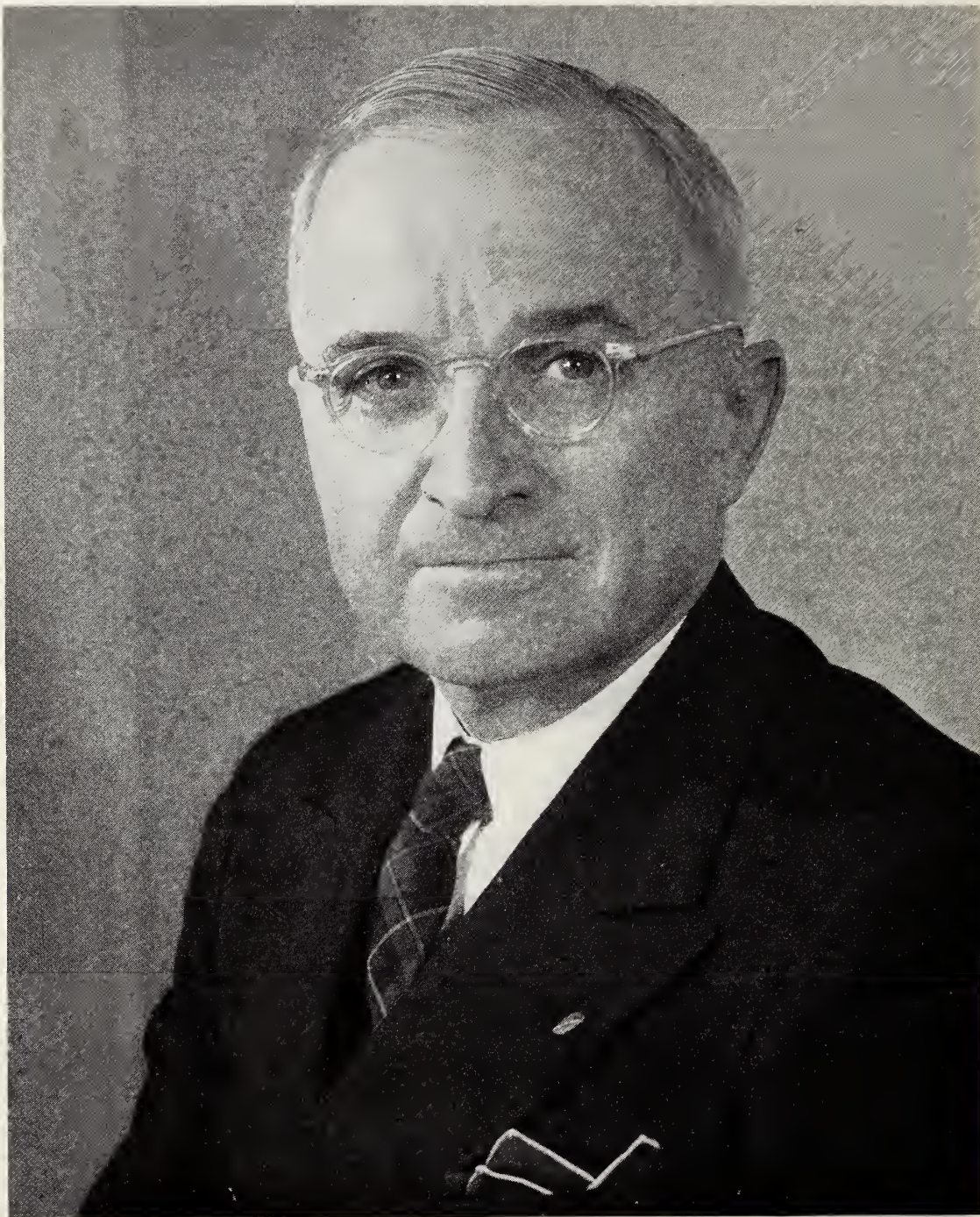
war membership. You must be the builders of the machinery and tools with which The American Legion must work.

We have grown far beyond the most cherished dreams of the founders of our organization. We have had that growth because The American Legion was built around great ideals and we have always shaped our organization to those ideals. We must never shape ideals to fit our organization.

We have had a stirring year. We have had hard fighting on many major fronts. I am glad to report The American Legion has moved ahead. We have no lost ground to regain. The credit belongs all to you. I am deeply grateful for your unswerving support. I shall lay down my gavel as national commander here in Philadelphia. I pledge to you that I shall not take off my harness as a working Legionnaire. I shall always be at your command to serve The American Legion in any capacity that you may ask me.

A new chapter in American Legion history will be written at this convention. The leadership of our organization will pass here into younger and more vigorous hands. My prayer is that this new chapter in the life of The American Legion will start with the greatest program of high service to God and Country, to community, state and nation, to disabled veterans, war widows, orphans and dependents. that any convention has ever laid down.

PERRY BROWN
National Commander



Legionnaire
HARRY S. TRUMAN
President of the United States



The Honorable
JAMES H. DUFF



Governor of Pennsylvania

HONORARY PRESIDENT
AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL CONVENTION
CORPORATION



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
HARRISBURG

July 20, 1949

Dear Judge Carroll:

It is a distinct honor to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Philadelphia to act as host to the Thirty-First Annual National Convention of the American Legion, and it gives me great pleasure to extend my personal greetings and the greetings of every Pennsylvanian to the members of your organization.

To all of us who know the great ideals for which the American Legion stands, a Legionnaire and a good American are synonymous terms.

You have known the horrors of war and you know the blessings of peace. It is my earnest wish that we all go forward hand in hand to overthrow the subversive elements who would embroil us in another war. We must all work to make peace permanent.

With all best wishes for a successful Convention, I am

Sincerely yours,

James H. Duff

Honorable Vincent A. Carroll,
President, National Convention
Corporation,
American Legion,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

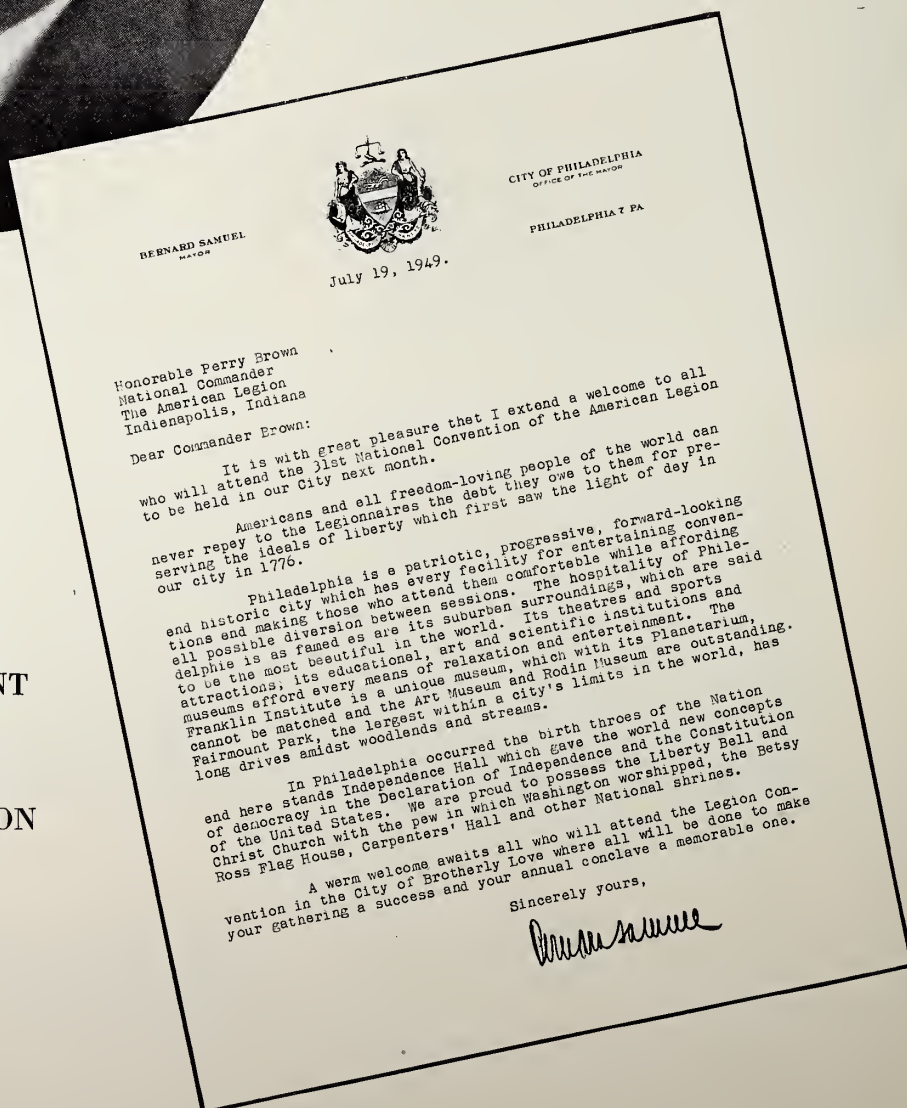


The Honorable
BERNARD SAMUEL



MAYOR OF PHILADELPHIA

**HONORARY PRESIDENT
AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL CONVENTION
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LAWRENCE TRAINOR
Department Commander



EDWARD A. LINSKY
Department Adjutant

Legionnaires:

It is with much pride and pleasure, as Commander of the greatest Department in The American Legion, that I extend to you the greetings of more than 300,000 Legionnaires and welcome you to the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to the City of Philadelphia for your Thirty-first National Convention.

We of Pennsylvania are proud that the Legionnaires have chosen our state for their annual convention for a second time. It is an honor we shall always deeply treasure.

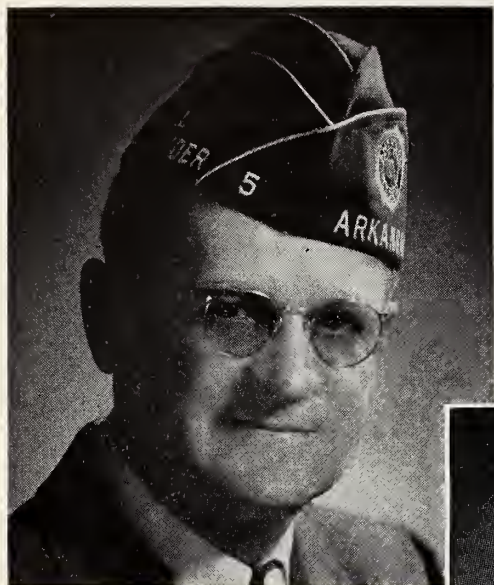
It is our purpose to make your visit in Pennsylvania, and particularly the City of Philadelphia, so delightful that it will be an unforgettable experience, a memory you will treasure in the years to come, one which will make you want to come and see us often—even, possibly, make it your home.

We have been preparing for your visit, and we hope that our reception will show how greatly we appreciate the honor of being your hosts for 1949.

LAWRENCE TRAINOR
Department Commander



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Vice-Commander



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Vice-Commander



EDWARD J. KELLY
Vice-Commander



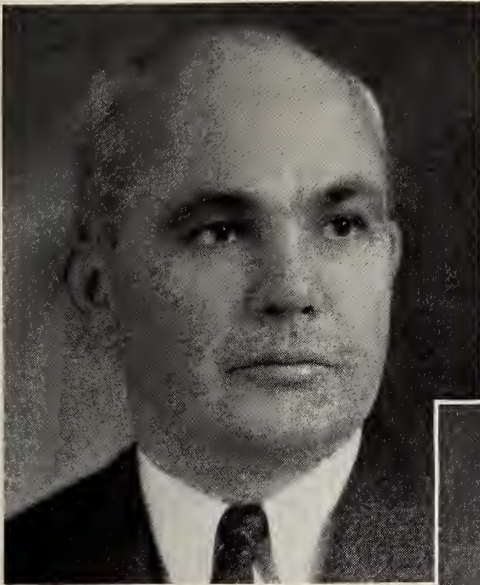
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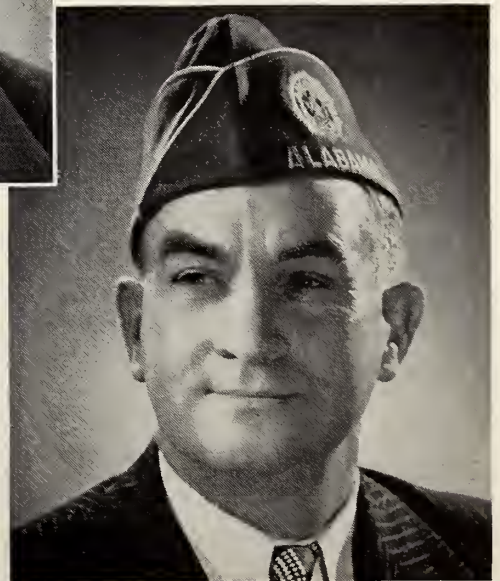
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Adjutant



REVEREND THOMAS GRICE
Chaplain



MONTE C. SANDLIN
Historian



RECIPIENTS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN
—1949

GEORGE HERMAN (BABE) RUTH
(Posthumously)—1949

GENERAL FRANK PARKER
(Posthumously)—1949

MARSHAL FERDINAND FOCH, of France
Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces in
World War I—1921

ADMIRAL DAVID EARL BEATTY
Head of the British Navy during
World War I—1921

GENERAL BARON JAIQUES
Commander-in-Chief of the Belgian Army in
World War I—1921

GENERAL ARMANDO V. DIAZ
Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Army during
World War I—1921

CHARLES BERTRAND, of France
Founder-president of Fidac—1921

GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING
Commander-in-Chief of the A.E.F. in
World War I—1922

ADMIRAL R. E. COONTZ
of the U. S. Navy—1923

GENERAL JOSEF HALLER
of Poland—1923

IGNACE JAN PADEREWSKI
former Premier of Poland—1926

COMTE FRANÇOIS MARIE ROBERT DEJEAN
of France—1927

LORD ALLENBY
of Great Britain—1928

JUDGE KENESAW MOUNTAIN LANDIS
Commissioner of Baseball—1929

ADMIRAL W. S. SIMS
of the U. S. Navy—1930

GENERAL DOUGLAS MacARTHUR
—1942

GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL
—1943

ADMIRAL ERNEST J. KING
—1943

FRANK KNOX
(Posthumously)—1944

HENRY FORD
—1944

GENERAL H. H. ARNOLD
—1944

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
(Posthumously)—1945

GENERAL THEODORE ROOSEVELT, JR.
(Posthumously)—1945

ERNEST (Ernie) PYLE
War Correspondent
(Posthumously)—1945

HONORABLE HENRY L. STIMSON
Secretary of War—1945

ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ
—1945

GENERAL DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
—1945

J. EDGAR HOOVER
—1946

BOB HOPE
—1946

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST
—1946

MAJOR GENERAL LEWIS B. HERSHEY
—1946

CORDELL HULL
—1946

LT. GEN. WM. S. KNUDSEN
—1947

HONORABLE EDWARD MARTIN
United States Senator
—1947

HONORABLE FRED M. VINSON
Chief Justice, U.S. Supreme Court
—1947



Official Program

The American Legion

Thirty-First Annual National Convention

Monday, August 22, 1949

Opening of National Headquarters, Center Bldg., Philadelphia

Convention Hall, Philadelphia

(34th below Spruce St.)

Thursday, August 25, 1949

Resolutions Assignment Committee

(to continue in session until 30th)

Center Bldg., Philadelphia Convention Hall

Friday, August 26, 1949

9:30 a.m.	Aeronautics Committee	Room 313, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Civil Defense Committee	Room 319A, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Merchant Marine Committee	Room 319B, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Military Affairs Committee	Room 17, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Naval Affairs Committee	Room 315, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section National Security Training Committee	Room 316, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.

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9:30 a.m.	Constitution and By-Laws	Room 219A, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section-Employment Committee	Room 401, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section-Membership & Post Activities Committee	Room 219B, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section-Veterans Preference Committee	Room 110, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.

(above listed to meet also Saturday, August 27, 1949)

Saturday, August 27, 1949

9:30 a.m.	Executive Committee Child Welfare Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 314, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Economic Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 221, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Finance Commission and N.E.C. Sub-Committee	Room 104, Center Bldg. Phila. Convention Hall
9:30 a.m.	Foreign Relations Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 411, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Internal Affairs Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 117, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Legislative Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 119B, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section Publications Commission and N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 119A, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section Public Relations Commission N.E.C. Liaison Sub-Committee	Room 310, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Executive Section Rehabilitation Committee and N.E.C. Sub-Committee	Room 18, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Security Commission and N.E.C. Liaison	Room 17, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	National Convention Commission	Bellevue Stratford Hotel
9:30 a.m.	Contest Supervisory Committee Special Service Officers	Rooms, 413-15, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Screening Committee	Room 18, Logan Hall, 36th and Woodland Ave.
9:30 a.m.	Sub-Committee of N.E.C. on Resolutions	Center Bldg., Phila. Convention Hall

(all above to continue in session on subsequent day or days)

Sunday, August 28, 1949

10:00 a.m.	Meeting of National Sergeant-at-Arms and Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms	Stage, Philadelphia Convention Hall
1:00 p. m.	Convention Committee on Credentials	Red Room, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel
1:15 p. m.	Convention Committee on Permanent Organization	Red Room, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel
1:30 p. m.	Convention Committee on Rules	Red Room, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel
1:00 p.m.	National Executive Committee	South Garden Roof, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel

**JOINT OPENING SESSION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
AND THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**

MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 1949

Convention Hall

- 10:30 a.m. Concert, National Championship Band, Harwood Post No. 5, The American Legion, Joliet, Illinois
- 11:00 a.m. Call to Order, Perry Brown, Texas, National Commander
Advancement of Colors; Guard of Honor, Breen-McCracken Post 270, Philadelphia
Solo: STAR SPANGLED BANNER; Morton Downey, Convention Soloist
Invocation, Rev. Thomas Grice, California, National Chaplain
Call for Convention, Henry H. Dudley, Nebraska, National Adjutant
- 11:30 a.m. Addresses of Welcome:
Hon. James H. Duff, Governor of Pennsylvania
Hon. Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia
Lawrence Trainor, Commander, Department of Pennsylvania (1948-49)
Vincent A. Carroll, President, American Legion National Convention Corporation
- 12:15 p.m. Response to Addresses of Welcome, Paul H. Griffith, Pennsylvania, Past National Commander
- 12:30 p.m. Reports of National Convention Committees:
Credentials
Permanent Organization
Rules
- 1:15 p.m. Address, Dr. Daniel Poling
- 1:45 p.m. NATIONAL CONVENTION MEMORIAL SERVICE
Invocation, His Eminence Dennis Cardinal Dougherty
Solo: THERE IS NO DEATH; Morton Downey
Memorial Address, National Chaplain Grice
Benediction, Rev. Dr. William H. Fineshriber
Taps
- 2:30 p.m. Greetings:
Mrs. Hubert A. Goode, Oregon, National President, American Legion Auxiliary
Harold J. Riley, Michigan, Chef de Chemin de Fer, Forty and Eight
- 3:00 p.m. Address, Honorable Harry S. Truman, President of the United States
Presentation of Distinguished Service Medal to President Truman, Louis Johnson, Secretary of Defense and Past National Commander
Presentation of Painting of President Truman
- 4:00 p.m. Introduction of Distinguished Guests
- 4:30 p.m. Report of National Commander Brown
- 5:00 p.m. Presentation of the Medallion by Alvin M. Owsley, Past National Commander, Texas, to the Mayor of Miami, the city in which the 1948 National Convention was held.
Response; Joe H. Adams
- 5:30 p.m. Retirement of Colors
Adjournment
- 5:30 p.m. Initial meetings of convention committees, Logan Hall, 36th St. and Woodland Ave.
- 6:00 p.m. Reception for distinguished guests—Bellevue-Stratford Hotel—sponsored by Schenley Post 1190, The American Legion
- 7:00 p.m. National Commander Brown's banquet to the distinguished guests.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1949

- 9:30 a.m. Meetings of convention committees (at same locations as shown for Monday meetings)
- 11:00 a.m. National Convention Parade

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1949

Convention Hall

- 10:00 a.m. Concert
- 10:30 a.m. Call to Order, Perry Brown, Texas, National Commander
Advancement of Colors
STAR SPANGLED BANNER, Championship band
Invocation, Rev. Thomas Grice, California, National Chaplain

- 10:45 a.m. Address; William Green, President, American Federation of Labor.
- 11:10 a.m. Introduction of Distinguished Guests
- Community Development Plan, Price Daniel, Attorney General of Texas
- 11:20 a.m. Reports of National Convention Committees:
- Finance
 - Child Welfare
 - Education of Orphans of Veterans
 - Foreign Relations
 - Constitutional Amendments
 - Internal Affairs
- 12:30 p.m. Address, Major General Carl R. Gray, Jr., Administrator of Veterans Affairs
- 1:00 p.m. Reports of National Convention Committees:
- Publications
 - Legislation
 - Rehabilitation
 - Resolutions
- 2:15 p.m. Report of National Convention Commission, Vincent A. Carroll, Pennsylvania, Chairman
- 2:30 p.m. Posthumous award of American Legion Distinguished Service Medal to General Frank Parker, Edward A. Hayes, Illinois, Past National Commander
- Acceptance, Mrs. Frank Parker
- 2:45 p.m. Posthumous award of American Legion Distinguished Service Medal to George Herman (Babe) Ruth, James F. O'Neil, New Hampshire, Past National Commander
- Acceptance, Mrs. George Herman Ruth
- 3:00 p.m. Address, Louis Johnson, West Virginia, Secretary of Defense
- 4:00 p.m. Retirement of Colors
- Adjournment

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1949

Convention Hall

- 10:00 a.m. Concert
- 10:15 a.m. Call to Order, Perry Brown, Texas, National Commander
- Advancement of Colors
- STAR SPANGLED BANNER
- Invocation, Rev. Thomas Grice, California, National Chaplain
- 10:30 a.m. Reports of National Convention Committees:
- Employment
 - Americanism
 - Housing
- 11:15 a.m. Address, Dr. Andrew D. Holt, President, National Education Association
- 11:30 a.m. Address
- 12:00 noon Reports of National Convention Committees
- Security
 - Membership
- 12:45 p.m. Formal Charge to Incoming Officers, Perry Brown, National Commander
- 1:00 p.m. 1950 Membership Preview
- 1:30 p.m. Announcement of Annual Awards, Joe E. Rabinovich, North Dakota, Assistant National Adjutant
- 2:00 p.m. New Business, Election of National Officers
- 2:30 p.m. Presentation of Colors to Outgoing National Commander Perry Brown, Harry W. Colmery, Kansas, Past National Commander
- 2:45 p.m. Presentation of Colors to Incoming National Commander, Warren H. Atherton, California, Past National Commander
- 3:00 p.m. Retirement of Colors
- Final Adjournment.

Meeting of National Executive Committee, upon call of National Commander.



DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

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President of the United States



MONSIEUR ROBERT BETOLAUD
*Minister
Des Anciens Combattants et Victimes De
Guerre*

JUDGE VINCENT A. CARROLL, *President,
American Legion National Convention
Corporation*

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London, England

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Governor of Pennsylvania

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*National President
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LT. COL. GORDON LARKING
*National Chairman
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The Secretary of Defense

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*Chef De Chemin De Fer
La Societe Des Quarante Hommes Et Huit
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*Commander
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HONORABLE LUTHER W. YOUNGDAHL
Governor of Montana

HONORABLE VAL PETERSON
Governor of Nebraska

HONORABLE J. STROM THURMOND
Governor of South Carolina

HONORABLE GORDON BROWNING
Governor of Tennessee

HONORABLE ERNEST WILLIAM GIB-
SON
Governor of Vermont

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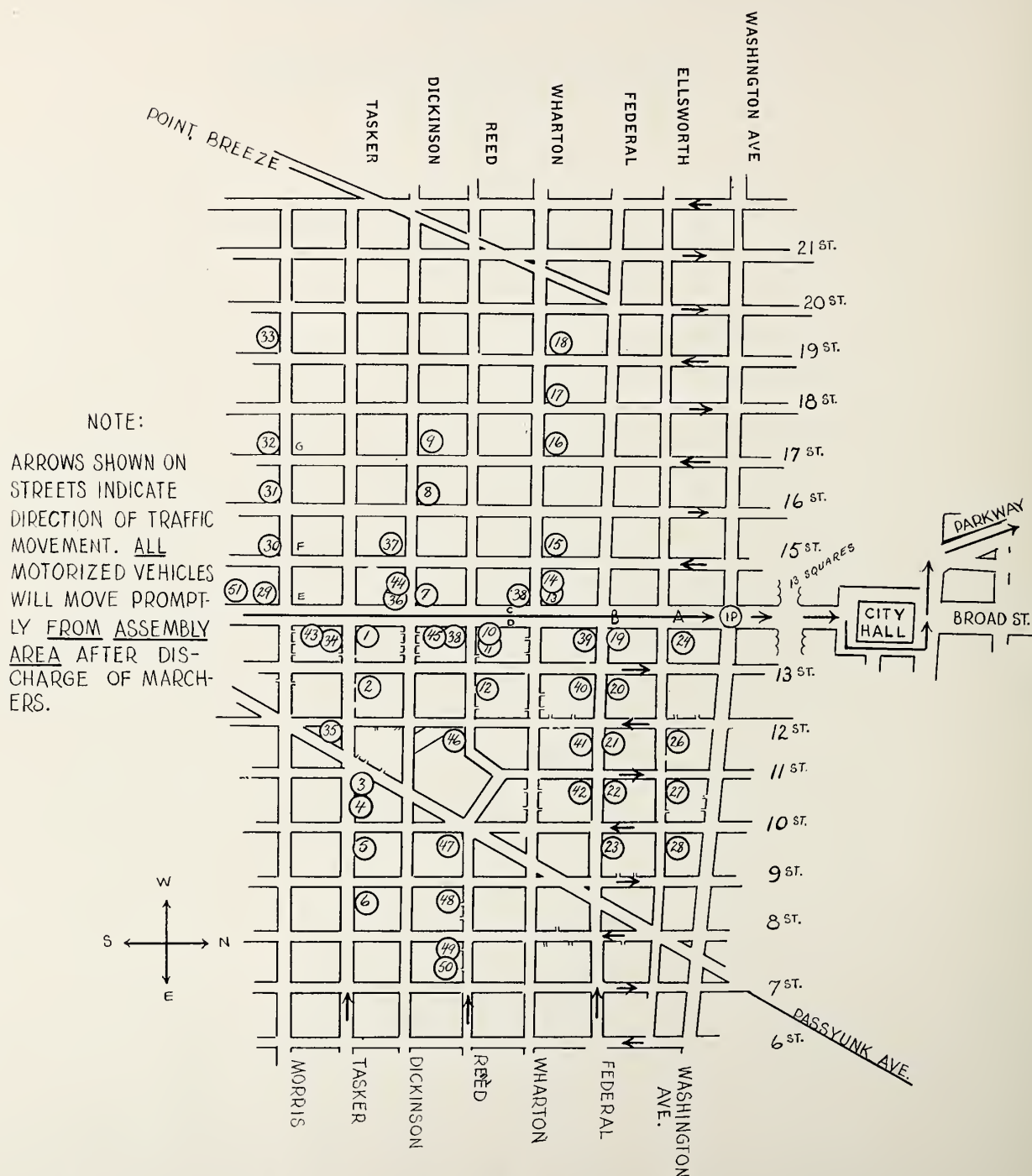
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AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION PARADE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA



ORGANIZATION AND MARCH TIME TABLE

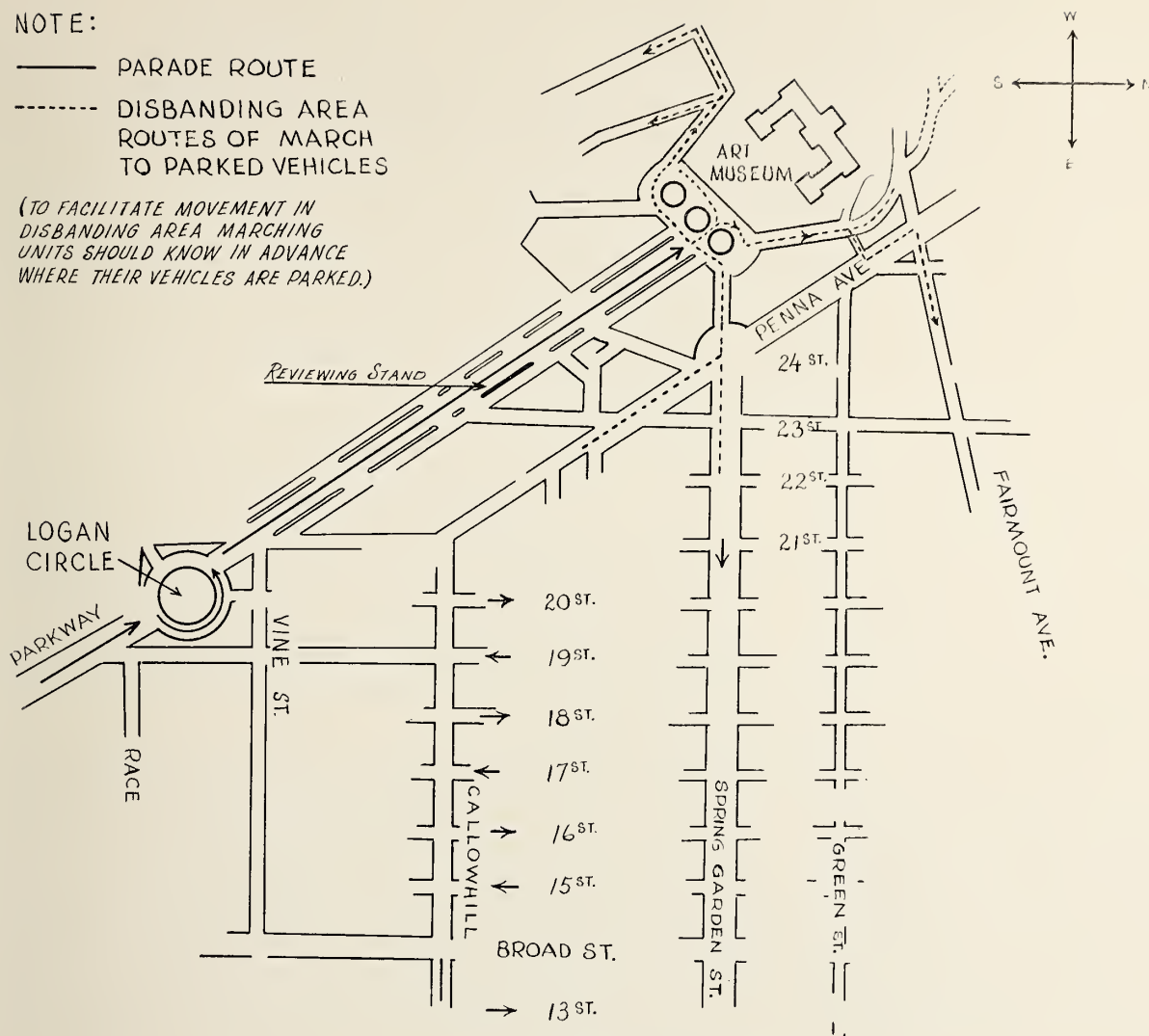
FIRST DIVISION

Unit	Assembly Time	March Time	Place of Assembly
A. Escort Police Department City of Philadelphia	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street facing north, head of column at Ellsworth Street
B. Honorary Grand Marshal and Staff, Grand Marshal and Staff, Distinguished Guests	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street facing north, head of column at Federal Street
C. Detachments U. S. Army, Navy and Marines	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street west side, facing north, head of column at Wharton Street
D. Elements of Pennsylvania National Guard	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street east side, facing north, head of column at Wharton Street

NOTE:

- PARADE ROUTE
 - - - - - DISBANDING AREA
 ROUTES OF MARCH
 TO PARKED VEHICLES

(TO FACILITATE MOVEMENT IN
 DISBANDING AREA MARCHING
 UNITS SHOULD KNOW IN ADVANCE
 WHERE THEIR VEHICLES ARE PARKED.)



SECOND DIVISION

Unit	Assembly Time	March Time	Place of Assembly
E. National Champion Drum and Bugle Corps (1948)	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column Broad Street
F. National Colors, National Rifle Team and National Champion Firing Squad as Escort, National Commander, National Champion, American Legion Band, Past National Commanders	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
G. Foreign Departments Mexico; Italy; Philippine Islands; Panama; Canada; Hawaii; Puerto Rico; France	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 17th Street

THIRD DIVISION

1. New Mexico	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
2. Vermont	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
3. South Dakota	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 11th Street
4. Wyoming	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, behind South Dakota
5. South Carolina	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
6. Louisiana	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 9th Street
7. Indiana	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column Broad
8. Iowa	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 16th
9. North Dakota	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 17th

FOURTH DIVISION

	Unit	Assembly Time	March Time	Place of Assembly
10.	Kansas	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
11.	Colorado	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, following Kansas
12.	Illinois	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
13.	Minnesota	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column Broad
14.	Montana	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column following Minnesota
15.	Ohio	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
16.	Georgia	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 17th Street
17.	Arkansas	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 18th Street
18.	Arizona	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 19th Street

FIFTH DIVISION

19.	Oregon	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column Broad
20.	Washington	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
21.	Wisconsin	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
22.	Tennessee	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 11th Street
23.	West Virginia	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
24.	Connecticut	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column Broad
26.	Nevada	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 12th
27.	Alabama	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 11th
28.	Nebraska	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 10th

SIXTH DIVISION

29.	Mississippi	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column Broad Street
30.	North Carolina	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
31.	Florida	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 16th Street
32.	New Hampshire	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 17th Street
33.	Rhode Island	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 19th Street
34.	California	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
35.	Maryland	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
36.	Missouri	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column Broad
37.	Maine	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 15th

SEVENTH DIVISION

38.	New York	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column at Broad Street and Wharton Street facing east head of column at Broad Street
39.	Alaska	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at Broad
40.	Kentucky	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 13th
41.	Texas	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 12th
42.	Oklahoma	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 11th

EIGHTH DIVISION

43.	New Jersey	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column at Broad
44.	Massachusetts	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column at Broad
45.	Michigan	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column at Broad
46.	District of Col.	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
47.	Utah	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
48.	Delaware	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 9th Street
49.	Virginia	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 8th Street
50.	Idaho	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, following Virginia

NINTH DIVISION

51.	Pennsylvania	4:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column at Broad Tasker Street facing west, head of column at Broad Dickinson Street facing east, head of column at Broad Wharton Street facing east, head of column at Broad Federal & Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column at Broad Street
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Parade Order

The instructions contained herein together with the Organization and March Time Table (Annex No. 1), and Parade Map (Annex No. 2), will govern the official parade of the Thirty-First National Convention of The American Legion.

1. **TIME:** (All Times in this order are Eastern Daylight Saving Time).

- a. The leading elements of the parade will move promptly from the initial point (Washington Avenue and Broad Street) at 11:00 A. M., Tuesday, August 30th, 1949, regardless of weather conditions.
- b. The time and place of assembly and approximate march time for each department or element of the parade is shown in detail on Organization and March Time Table and Parade Map.

2. **ROUTE:**

Initial Point—Washington Avenue and Broad Street. The parade will proceed from the initial point North on Broad Street to City Hall; East on City Hall Square, North on City Hall Square, West on City Hall Square, Northwest on The Parkway to The Parkway and Spring Garden Street (disbanding area).

3. **ASSEMBLY AREA:**

- a. Assembly Areas for each element of First and Second Divisions and all Departments are as indicated in the Organization and March Time Table and Parade Map.
- b. Routes to Assembly Areas:

(1) *Assembly Area East of Broad Street*

- (a) Broad Street Subway (South) to Ellsworth-Federal or Tasker-Morris Stations.
- (b) 12th Street—Route 20
- (c) 10th Street—Route 23
- (d) 8th Street—Route 47
- (e) 6th Street—Route 65



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(f) Motor Transportation from North, East and Northwest—Any route east of The Parkway and North of Market Street to 6th Street—South on Sixth Street to assembly area.

(g) Motor transportation from West and Southwest—Any route West of 21st Street and South of Morris Street to Seventh Street—north on Seventh Street to assembly area.

(h) All motor vehicles when empty will proceed north on 13th Street, left on Callowhill or Green Streets to disbanding area.

(2) *Assembly area West of Broad Street*

(a) Broad Street Subway (South to Ellsworth-Federal or Tasker-Morris Stations)

(b) 15th Street—Route 2

(c) 17th Street—Route 32

(d) 19th Street—Route 17

(e) Motor transportation from North and Northwest—Any route via West Philadelphia to 22nd Street—South on 22nd Street to assembly area.

(f) Motor transportation from Southwest—Any route to 21st Street North on 21st Street to assembly area.

(g) Motor transportation from East and Northeast any route to 6th Street south on 6th Street to Moore Street—West on Moore Street to 21st Street—North on 21st Street to area.

(h) All motor vehicles when empty will proceed North on 16th Street—West on Arch Street—North on 20th Street—West on Race Street—North on 24th Street to disbanding area.

c. General—One member of the organization should accompany all motor vehicles belonging to that organization from the assembly area to the disbanding area. This individual should meet his organization at Spring Garden Street and The Parkway and guide the element to the vehicle location.

4. ORGANIZATION:

a. In order to regulate and facilitate the march of the parade, the various elements have been grouped into divisions, each under a Division Marshal. The composition of these Divisions, order of march, time of march, and time and place of assembly is shown in the Organization and March Time Table. (Annex No. 1).

b. The various elements of the First and Second Divisions of the parade have been given definite locations in the order of march in this order. All units of these two divisions will form for marching as directed by each commander concerned under supervision of their respective Division Marshals.

c. Each Department Commander will be responsible for the order of march for his Department and the various type elements will march in the formation as directed herein.

(1) Massed colors: Twelve (12) abreast. The American Flags of each Department of The American Legion will be massed at the head of each Department delegation. This must include colors of all musical organizations. The Legion Flag and other banners may be carried with their units.

(2) American Legion Departments will march in platoons of twenty-four (24) formed in two ranks, twelve (12) abreast, one and one-half yards between front and rear ranks.

(3) Bands and Drum Corps (as directed by Drum Majors).

(4) Authorized floats and automobiles: In single column. Entry of floats in the parade is restricted to those of an American Legion, patriotic, or historical character. No commercial advertising will be allowed. No unauthorized floats or automobiles will be permitted to participate.

d. Distances (1) Between Divisions 50 yds.

(2) Between Departments 25 yds.

(3) Between elements of
the department 10 yds.

e. All bands will start playing 200 yards from the Reviewing Stand and will stop playing when they have passed 100 yards beyond Reviewing Stand. No Band or Drum Corps will play in the vicinity of the route of the parade when back tracking to headquarters or home location.

5. DISBANDING AREA

a. Spring Garden Street and The Parkway and road net running West, North and East therefrom.

b. Elements having chartered or private transportation parked in this area should be met by a guide of that element and lead to the parked vehicles.

c. Elements or individuals desiring transportation from disbanding area from pool of street cars and public buses will turn right on Spring Garden Street. This transportation will return personnel to center of city or to



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points where transfer may be made to normal transportation for move to home location.

d. Elements or individual desiring may turn left via Spring Garden Street bridge—Schuylkill Avenue West to Pennsylvania Railroad Station, 30th Street.

6. CIRCULATION

a. Parade Route

- (1) South Broad Street—City Hall Square—The Parkway

Until 9:30 A. M. Normal

10:00 A. M.-10:45 A. M.—North only—only empty vehicles of First Division elements going to disbanding area.

11:00 A. M., Parade movement only

- (2) East and West Streets crossing Parade route between Washington Avenue and Race Street and North and South Streets crossing parade route between Broad and 19th Streets—under police control.
- (3) All East and West Streets and North and South Streets crossing The Parkway between Logan Circle and Art Museum will be closed to crossing traffic from 11:30 A. M. to end of parade.

b. Assembly Area

- (1) Sixth to Twenty-second Streets both inclusive (excluding Broad Street) between Washington Avenue and Morris Street—normal under police control. Temporary no parking in this area.
- (2) Washington Avenue, Ellsworth, Federal, Wharton, Reed, Dickinson, Tasker and Morris Streets between Sixth Street and Twenty-second Street from 9:30 A. M. to end of parade. Closed to all traffic except parade movements. Temporary no parking on these streets.

c. Disbanding Area

- (1) 10:00 A. M. to end of parade—Callowhill Street between Broad Street and 20th Street one way west, restricted to motor parade traffic.
- (2) Green Street between Broad Street and Pennsylvania Avenue one way west, restricted to motor parade traffic.
- (3) Fairmount Avenue, Spring Garden Street and North and South Streets cutting these two streets parking of motor transportation and moving of this transportation east when loaded.
- (4) Pennsylvania Avenue Southeast from Spring Garden Street, parking motor transportation and move southwest and east via 20th Street, Vine Street, 18th Street—Race Street.
- (5) Pennsylvania Avenue Northwest from Spring Garden Street and East River Drive to road crossing north of Art Museum parking of vehicles and movement North-Northeast and Northwest.
- (6) Road net leading from The Parkway Northwest to Spring Garden Street Bridge, parking of vehicles, and movement to Schuylkill Avenue West.

7. OFFICIAL REVIEWING STANDS:

North side of The Parkway, west of 22nd Street.

8. ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN PARADE:

With the exception of the Police, the Military and Naval escort, and the distinguished guests, eligibility to participate in the parade is limited to the members of The American Legion.

9. FIRST AID AND CONVENIENCE STATIONS:

First Aid and Convenience Stations in the Assembly Area and along the parade route will be conspicuously marked.

10. PARADE OFFICIALS:

- a. The Grand Marshal will be assisted by the Executive Officer of the Parade Committee in the conduct of the parade and by other officials who will be designated as Regulating Officers, Division Marshals, Liaison Officers and Guides. All officials will wear an arm band marked "Parade Official."

Chief Regulating Officer, Assembly Area

Chief Regulating Officer, Line of March

Chief Regulating Officer, Reviewing Stand

Chief Regulating Officer, Disbanding Area

- b. There will be one Liaison Officer report to each Department Headquarters, Philadelphia, on Sunday, August 28, and will assist the Department in all matters pertaining to the parade.

Headquarters of the Grand Marshal and Parade Committee are located in Room 169, Broad Street Station, telephone LO-4-3540.



ORGANIZATION AND MARCH TIME TABLE

FIRST DIVISION

<i>Unit</i>	<i>Assembly Time</i>	<i>March Time</i>	<i>Place of Assembly</i>
A. Escort Police Department City of Philadelphia	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street facing north, head of column at Ellsworth Street
B. Honorary Grand Marshal and Staff, Grand Marshal and Staff, Distinguished Guests	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street facing north, head of column at Federal
C. Detachments U. S. Army, Navy and Marines	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street west side, facing north, head of column at Wharton Street
D. Elements of Pennsylvania National Guard	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Broad Street east side, facing north, head of column at Wharton Street

SECOND DIVISION

E. National Champion Drum and Bugle Corps (1948)	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column Broad Street
F. National Colors, National Rifle Team and National Champion Firing Squad as Escort, National Commander, National Champion, American Legion Band, Past National Commanders	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
G. Foreign Departments: Mexico; Italy; Philippine Islands; Panama; Canada; Hawaii; Puerto Rico; France	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 17th Street

THIRD DIVISION

<i>Unit</i>	<i>Assembly Time</i>	<i>March Time</i>	<i>Place of Assembly</i>
1. New Mexico	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
2. Vermont	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
3. South Dakota	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 11th Street
4. Wyoming	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, behind South Dakota
5. South Carolina	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
6. Louisiana	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 9th Street
7. Indiana	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column Broad
8. Iowa	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 16th
9. North Dakota	10:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 17th

FOURTH DIVISION

10. Kansas	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
11. Colorado	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, following Kansas
12. Illinois	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
13. Minnesota	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column Broad
14. Montana	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column following Minnesota



ORGANIZATION AND MARCH TIME TABLE (Continued)

<i>Unit</i>	<i>Assembly Time</i>	<i>March Time</i>	<i>Place of Assembly</i>
15. Ohio	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
16. Georgia	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 17th Street
17. Arkansas	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 18th Street
18. Arizona	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	Wharton Street facing east, head of column 19th Street

FIFTH DIVISION

19. Oregon	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column Broad
20. Washington	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 13th Street
21. Wisconsin	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
22. Tennessee	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 11th Street
23. West Virginia	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
24. Connecticut	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column Broad
26. Nevada	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 12th
27. Alabama	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 11th
28. Nebraska	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	Ellsworth Street facing west, head of column 10th

SIXTH DIVISION

29. Mississippi	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column Broad Street
30. North Carolina	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 15th Street
31. Florida	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 16th Street
32. New Hampshire	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 17th Street
33. Rhode Island	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column 19th Street
34. California	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column Broad Street
35. Maryland	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
36. Missouri	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column Broad
37. Maine	12:00 noon	1:00 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column 15th

SEVENTH DIVISION

38. New York	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column at Broad Street and Wharton Street facing east, head of column at Broad Street
39. Alaska	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at Broad
40. Kentucky	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 13th
41. Texas	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 12th
42. Oklahoma	1:00 P.M.	2:00 P.M.	Federal Street facing west, head of column at 11th

EIGHTH DIVISION

43. New Jersey	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Tasker Street facing west, head of column at Broad
44. Massachusetts	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Dickinson Street facing east, head of column at Broad
45. Michigan	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column at Broad
46. District of Col.	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 12th Street
47. Utah	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 10th Street
48. Delaware	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 9th Street
49. Virginia	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, head of column 8th Street
50. Idaho	2:30 P.M.	3:30 P.M.	Reed Street facing west, following Virginia

NINTH DIVISION

51. Pennsylvania	4:00 P.M.	5:00 P.M.	Morris Street facing east, head of column at Broad Tasker Street facing west, head of column at Broad Dickinson Street facing east, head of column at Broad Wharton Street facing east, head of column at Broad Federal & Ellsworth Streets facing west, head of col- umns at Broad Street
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ENTERTAINMENT

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR BAND CONTEST

Marine Parade Ground, Philadelphia Naval Base—Foot of South Broad Street—9 a.m.

Use coupon



NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION BAND CONTEST

Marine Parade Ground, Philadelphia Naval Base —Foot of South Broad Street—1 p.m.

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NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR COLOR GUARD CONTEST

League Island Park—South Broad Street, below Oregon Avenue—1 p.m.

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NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION COLOR GUARD CONTEST

League Island Park—South Broad Street, below Oregon Avenue—3 p.m.

Use coupon



NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION CHORUS CONTEST

Auditorium of Naval Hospital, 17th Street and Pattison Avenue—2 p.m.

Use coupon



BANQUET FOR THE PAST COMMANDERS' CLUB

For Legion Men of Distinction

Sponsored by Calvert Distillers Corporation

Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS CONTEST

Olney High School Field, Front Street and Duncannon Avenue—9 a.m.

Use coupon



AMERICAN LEGION DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS NATIONAL CONTEST PRELIMINARIES

Municipal Stadium—South Broad Street—Start 9 a.m. (Finals—6:30 p.m.—same place)

Your Convention Badge will admit you



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League Island Park—South Broad Street, below Oregon Avenue—10 a.m.

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AMERICAN LEGION DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS NATIONAL CONTEST FINALS

Municipal Stadium—South Broad Street—6:30 p.m.

Use coupon—Non-Legionnaires may purchase tickets at registration booths and special ticket offices



SELECTION OF WINNERS IN SEAGRAM POST DRAWING FOR 4 NEW FORD CONVERTIBLES AND GENERAL ELECTRIC KITCHEN AND AUTOMATIC LAUNDRY

Sponsored by Seagram Post American Legion

Municipal Stadium, Philadelphia—During finals of Drum and Bugle Corps Contest—Drawing open to all members of American Legion and their families

Kitchen and cars on display at Reyburn Plaza, Philadelphia



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DINNER FOR DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Sponsored by Pabst Brewing Company
Warwick Hotel, 7:30 p.m.



DRAWING FOR WINNER OF DARRA JAMES HOME WORKSHOP

Band Saw, Jointer, Lathe, Tilting Arbor Saw, Drill Press, 3 Stands
Sponsored by Toolkraft Corporation, Waterbury, Connecticut
Coupon for Drum and Bugle Corps Contest Finals will admit you
Municipal Stadium

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

SPAMWICHES, MILK AND CHILI AT ASSEMBLY AREA FOR PARADERS AND OFFICIALS

Furnished through the courtesy of George A. Hormel and Co., Austin, Minnesota



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Featuring Radio's Funniest and Most Popular Show

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Sponsored by Schenley Post 1190

Philadelphia Convention Hall, 34th Street, south of Spruce Street

8:00 p.m.

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DEPARTMENT ADJUTANTS DINNER

Penn Sheraton Hotel

39th and Chestnut Streets

Sponsored by Pabst Brewing Company, 9:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

FASHION SHOW

John Wanamaker Auditorium—13th and Market Streets—2:30 p.m.

See coupon



ANNUAL EAST-WEST JUNIOR AMERICAN LEGION ALL STAR BASEBALL GAME

Shibe Park—21st Street and Lehigh Ave.—2:30 p.m.

See coupon for reduced rate

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY



INDEPENDENCE HALL

Shrine of the Liberty Bell—Chestnut Street above 5th

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CONGRESS HALL

S. E. Cor. 6th and Chestnut Streets

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CARPENTERS' HALL

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ENTERTAINMENT

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CHRIST CHURCH

Second and Church Streets—Where Washington worshipped

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ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

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24th and Franklin Parkway

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PHILADELPHIA ZOO

34th and Girard Avenue

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ATLANTIC CITY RACE COURSE

Black Horse Pike near Mays Landing, N. J.—August 29 to September 2

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TRIPS TO ATLANTIC CITY

Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Lines—Market Street Wharf—Daily at 8:15 a.m.

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Room 101—Restaurant Extension

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Show your 31st National Convention American Legion badge



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Philadelphia Naval Base—Foot of South Broad Street—Latest types of fighting craft on display

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1309 Walnut Street

Monday, August 29 to Thursday, September 1

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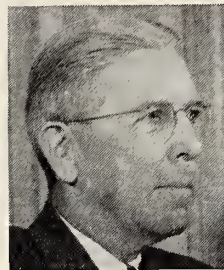
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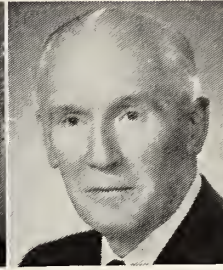
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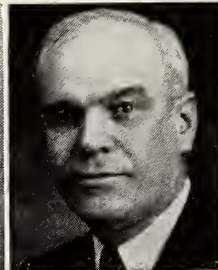
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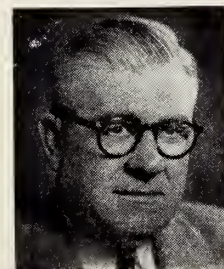
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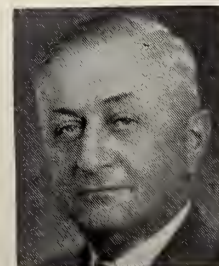


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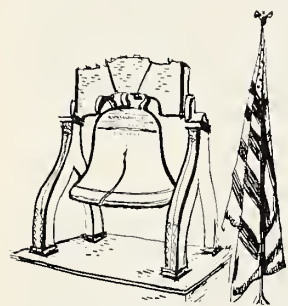
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IN the summer of 1776 a little group of resolute men converged on the great colonial city that had been founded by William Penn, the City of Philadelphia.

The purpose of the assembly was to write a ringing Declaration of Independence from the tyranny of the King.

"And for the support of this Declaration," they said, "with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

A new Nation was born: The United States of America. And its birthplace became hallowed ground.



In the summer of 1787 many of those same men assembled here again. Law was their objective. This would be a Nation governed by law, not by the tyranny of man. And they drew on the strength of this hallowed ground to write what has been called "the greatest single document ever struck off by the hand of man."

"We the people of the United States," they wrote, "in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

Again in 1861, as the trial of the Union impended, Abraham Lincoln came here to draw strength from this shrine to the Nation's founders.

Down through the years our citizens and leaders have gathered here to accomplish great deeds and speak great words.

What could be more fitting then, that The American Legion in 1926 should have selected Philadelphia as their first Eastern convention city? Against this background of historical conflict for freedom and human dignity, The American Legion was keeping a rendezvous which had been unconsciously arranged by its principles and purpose.

And again—after World War II—it is proper that the Legion return to this city, to savor again its tradition and to refresh itself at the fountain of liberty.

As a life-long Philadelphian and as a founder-member of The American Legion, I am doubly delighted at the return of the Legion to this city. If my interest in, and affection for, Philadelphia is seriously challenged by any other loyalty, that is The American Legion. I have devoted a great deal of time to Legion activities over the years, and in no other endeavor have I taken greater pleasure. The bringing together of Philadelphia and the Legion pleases me, therefore, for many reasons but the greatest of all is the knowledge that each will draw much from this union. The American traditions which are rooted here will remind the Legion of its pledge to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy. And from the men and women assembled here, Philadelphia will draw greatness as it has always drawn it from visitors of good will and high purpose.

In describing Philadelphia to you, I shall describe it as I know it, as I feel it, and as I hope it will always be.

To America, Philadelphia is almost a holy city, a stately old city of tradition and flavor that carries com-

A Message

from

Philadelphian
Vincent A. Carroll



fortably and modestly its distinction of being birthplace of our nation. Yet in the sense of time and space, there are two cities of Philadelphia, two cities which have merged without self-consciousness into a great municipality. These are the old city of Penn and Franklin, of Independence Square and its Liberty Bell, of its charming old streets and buildings which still glisten with the glory of its past. The other Philadelphia is the ever-expanding and dynamic city which shares its location with its historical counterpart, and which had achieved the paradox of combining tradition and texture.

Because of its peculiar position in the history of our nation and in the hearts of our people, and because it insists on integrating this background into the flow of its Twentieth Century life, Philadelphia is a difficult city to describe. You visitors will find it full of almost unbelievable contradictions. It is a city of old and new, worldly in some respects and like a small community in others; its veins throb with rail and marine traffic yet in the middle of its vast downtown park system a pastoral quiet prevails which is almost incredible for a modern American city. But above all else, Philadelphia is a monument to civilization and the dignity of man.

Where too often today cities tend to measure their achievements and growth in terms of tons of concrete and steel piled into skyscrapers, Philadelphia still keeps its eye on the inflexible yardstick of cultural attainment. It builds people, not buildings.

Philadelphia was the cultural center for science, philosophy and literature as far back as the Eighteenth Century, and it has never relinquished that distinction. In Philadelphia in 1789 there was the first performance of a Shakespearean play in America. In 1741, Andrew Bradford put out the American Magazine, the first periodical of its kind on the continent. In 1784, Philadelphia was the home of the first daily newspaper, and it was here that Benjamin Franklin organized the American Philosophical Society with such brilliant associates as David Rittenhouse, the astronomer, and Thomas Godfrey, the inventor.

In no city in America is music as important to its people as in Philadelphia. The roots of this musical taste



were watered by the early Welsh and German settlers, and today music is as earnestly supported by Philadelphians as other cities support their municipal services. There is in Philadelphia the best school of music in the country—the Curtis Institute—and what has been called the most majestic opera house—the Academy of Music.



The home of the world-famous Philadelphia Orchestra, the Academy of Music is a truthful symbol of Philadelphia itself; it brings together usefulness in the form of incomparable acoustics with a stately Victorian dignity. A writer once declared that not only do singers sing better and actors act better, when they tread the boards great predecessors have trod, but that their audiences also are better, for the ghosts of history watch in the darkness and affect their performances without their knowing it. If this is true, it helps explain the mood which touches the Academy of Music on Friday afternoon and Saturday nights in the concert season.

But there are other things which have caused Philadelphia to be thought of as Paris is remembered by many, and which have enabled this city to hold its artistic and intellectual level more than a century after it was passed as the most populous city in 1830. Philadelphia is an artists' city, with many fine art schools and a long tradition of painting. The Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts is one of the finest in North America, while clustered around the Benjamin Franklin Parkway visitors will find the Rodin Museum, the Academy of Natural Sciences, the Free Library of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Memorial, which contains the finest scientific collection in the world as well as the famous Fels Planetarium. On the west bank of the Schuylkill River is the first zoological park ever established in this country, and on the east bank is located the Aquarium.

The Indian names which still cling to certain regions of the city hold a distinctly Philadelphia flavor, and lend a character of timelessness which few other large cities enjoy. Passyunk, "a level place"; Moyamensing, "a place of meeting"; Tacony, "wood"; Shackamaxon, "a place of eels"; Pennypack, "deep, dead water"; Wingohocking, "land in a valley"—all are used casually in daily conversation. In a like manner, the botanical names given to the streets by William Penn—Walnut, Chestnut, Spruce, Pine, Cherry, Vine, Mulberry, and Poplar, to name a few—have been retained with a determined enthusiasm by passing generations of Philadelphians, and I predict they will remain unchanged as long as there is a city on this spot.

Philadelphia does not regard its cultural institutions as anachronistic and useless relics of a bygone era, which have been swept aside by the restless rush of time. To the contrary, cultural life thrives as actively today as it did in Franklin's time and it means as much in the life of the people.

But a city cannot grow on a diet of culture alone, and it cannot survive long on the richness of its past. Productivity and skill of its citizenry are modern essentials of a dynamic city. The industrial skills of this city can be matched nowhere outside of this region, and as the industrial processes of the nation are sharpened by tech-

nological advances, the industry of Philadelphia has set the pace. In the recent war, where for the first time the assembly line became a battlefield, the economic convulsion which wracked many industrial towns unable to cope with the gigantic problem of conversion scarcely shook Philadelphia. War conversion was taken in stride, just as a few years later the city's industrial life adjusted itself to the convulsion of reconversion.

It has been said that Philadelphia makes a little bit of everything and a lot of a great many things, and I will not try to enumerate her many products. But in the general area marked by the confluence of the two rivers are made a large part of the world's textile and steel products—products whose labels and brand names are familiar throughout the civilized world. Behind each product is a skill, and the diverse industrial knowledge which this city contains has only recently been proven to be one of our greatest national assets and safeguards.

There is another special significance in this city being host to The American Legion, and this significance is also tied directly to both her past and present character. William Penn was a man of tremendous tolerance, and encouraged by his attitude men seeking tolerance began to



pour to this city from all over northern Europe and the British Isles. Even from Maryland, from New York and from New England, free thinking and tolerant men began to move to Philadelphia to establish their homes and their lives. If this gave Philadelphia a heterogeneous character, as some have written, that has certainly been

mellowed into homogeneity today and the theme of this new homogeneity is tolerance, mutual forbearance, and respect for our fellow man. After having just emerged from one of the most terrible wars in the history of mankind, which was provoked by criminal disregard for the fundamental rights of the human being, The American Legion knows well that liberty and tolerance create an element for which there is no substitute. For that reason, I know The American Legion will feel comfortable and at home in Philadelphia.

There is no need to list Philadelphia's municipal achievements, nor to describe the advances that have been made in her housing, her highways, her public health, and her educational services and institutions. These things are there because Philadelphia is an expanding city and they were required by her growth. My wish here is to impart the genial mood and spirit of this city, and that cannot be done by cataloguing its physical assets.

Philadelphia is everybody's home town. Independence Square, undoubtedly the most hallowed ground known to Americans, belongs to our visitors as well as to those who live in Philadelphia. Congress Hall, where our Congress met in its earliest infancy, Carpenters' Hall, the Betsy Ross house, the meeting house of the American Philosophical Society "where all those with an interest in discourse and learning might meet to the mutual pleasure and enlightenment of all"—these we are willing and eager to share with our fellow Americans. They are symbols of a way of life which this organization has done much in the past, and is willing to do again in the future, to protect.

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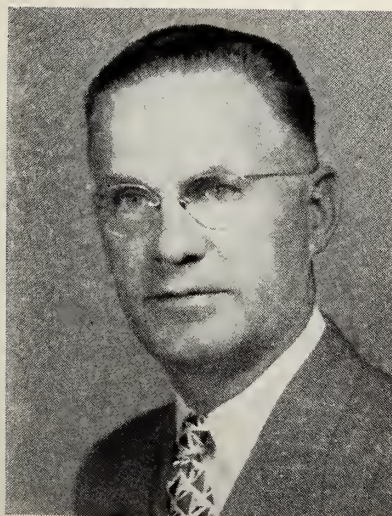


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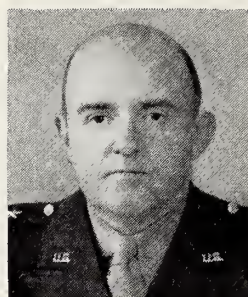
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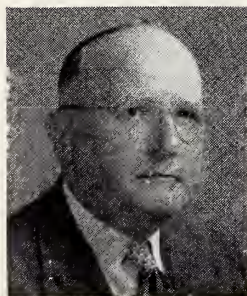
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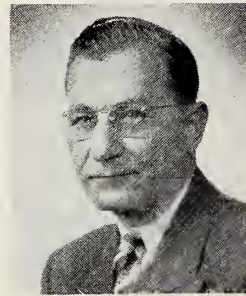
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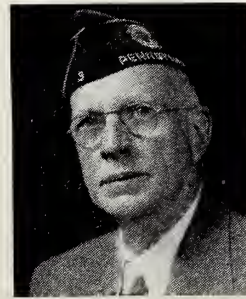
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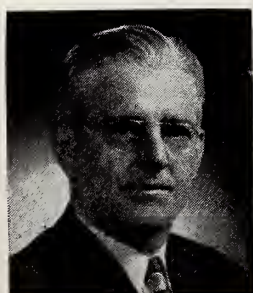
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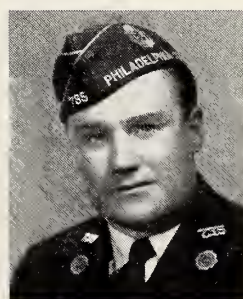
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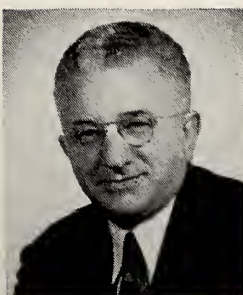
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NATIONAL CONTESTS

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1:00 p.m.	American Legion Band Contest	Marine Parade Ground, Philadelphia Navy Yard
1:00 p.m.	Junior Color Guard Contest	League Island Park
2:00 p.m.	American Legion Chorus Contest.....	Auditorium Naval Hospital, 17th St. and Pattison Ave.
3:00 p.m.	American Legion Color Guard Contest	League Island Park

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

9:00 a.m.	Golf Contests—Annual National American Legion Golf Tournament ..	Whitemarsh Country Club
9:00 a.m.	Junior Drum, Fife & Bugle Corps Contest	Olney High School—Front St. and Duncannon Ave.
9:00 a.m.	American Legion Drum, Fife & Bugle Corps Elimination Contest	Municipal Stadium
6:30 p.m.	Final Contest	Municipal Stadium
10:00 a.m.	American Legion Firing Squad Contest	League Island Park

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

9:00 a.m.	Golf Contests—Annual National American Legion Golf Tournament	Whitemarsh Country Club
9:00 a.m.	Convention Golf Tournament	Whitemarsh Country Club

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

10:00 a.m.	Contest clerks, starters, and timers, Room 413, Logan Hall, U of P
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UNIT REPRESENTATIVES MEETINGS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

10:00 a.m.	American Legion Senior Band, Room 413, Logan Hall, U of P
10:00 a.m.	American Legion Junior Band, Room 415, Logan Hall, U of P
2:00 p.m.	American Legion Senior Drum & Bugle Corps, Room 413, Logan Hall, U of P
2:00 p.m.	American Legion Junior Drum & Bugle Corps, Room 415, Logan Hall, U of P
3:00 p.m.	American Legion Senior Color Guard, Room 413, Logan Hall, U of P
3:00 p.m.	American Legion Junior Color Guard, Room 415, Logan Hall, U of P
5:00 p.m.	American Legion Chorus, Room 413, Logan Hall, U of P
5:00 p.m.	American Legion Firing Squad, Room 415, Logan Hall, U of P

Contests committee headquarters during the Convention will be in Room 415, Logan Hall,
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Advance Meetings

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 1949

9:30 a.m. National Executive Committee Meeting, American Legion Auxiliary

CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

West Philadelphia High School

45th and Walnut Streets

1:00 p.m. Credentials, Mrs. Lee E. Moore, Chairman
Permanent Organizations, Mrs. O. E. Duey, Chairman
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2:00 p.m. Child Welfare, Mrs. Franklin P. Bowersox, Chairman
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3:30 p.m. Americanism, Mrs. Willis C. Reed, Chairman
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Junior Activities, Mrs. Carl W. Zeller, Chairman
Pan American Study, Mrs. John B. Kirkpatrick, Chairman
Publications, Mrs. Rae Ashton, Chairman
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Rehabilitation, Mrs. Norman L. Sheehe, Chairman

4:30 p.m. Past Presidents Parley, Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat, Chairman

MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29, 1949

8:30 a.m. Opening Session—National Convention, American Legion Auxiliary, Irvine Auditorium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Processional of National Officers and Distinguished Guests
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Hubert A. Goode
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Willis C. Reed, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. J. Pat Kelly, National Chaplain
The Star Spangled Banner
Preamble
Reading of the Call to the Convention, Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell, National Secretary
Greetings from the Department of Pennsylvania, Mrs. D. A. Krumrine, Department President
Greetings by the National Vice Presidents

Mrs. H. C. McShane.....Western Division
Mrs. Wm. Kashman..... Eastern Division



Mrs. Eli Bennett..... Southern Division
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Presentation of Department Presidents

Annual Report of the National President, Mrs. Hubert A. Goode

Reports of the National Officers:

National Secretary Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell
National Treasurer Mrs. Cecilia Wenz
National Historian Mrs. Wm. Heagerty
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10:45 a.m.

Address: Perry Brown, National Commander

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11:30 a.m.

Address: Dr. Daniel A. Poling

Introduction of Chairman of National Convention, Mrs. D. A. Krumrine

Presentation of Convention Chairmen by the local Chairman of the National Convention Committee, Mrs. John Owens

Presentation of National President's Pages

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Adjournment

Retirement of Colors

MONDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 29, 1949

Attendance at Opening of National Convention of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary, Joint Session.

Divisional Caucuses

4:30 p.m.

Northwestern Division..... University of Pennsylvania Museum Auditorium
Central Division..... Irvine Auditorium
Eastern Division..... West Philadelphia High School Auditorium
Southern Division..... West Philadelphia High School Girls Auditorium
Western Division..... Houston Hall Auditorium

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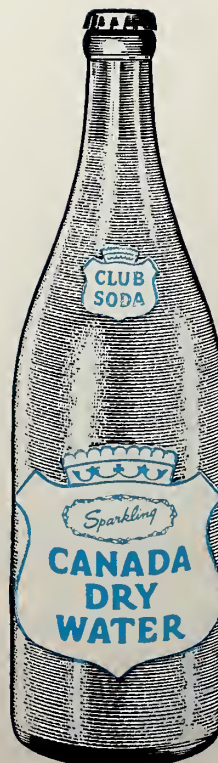
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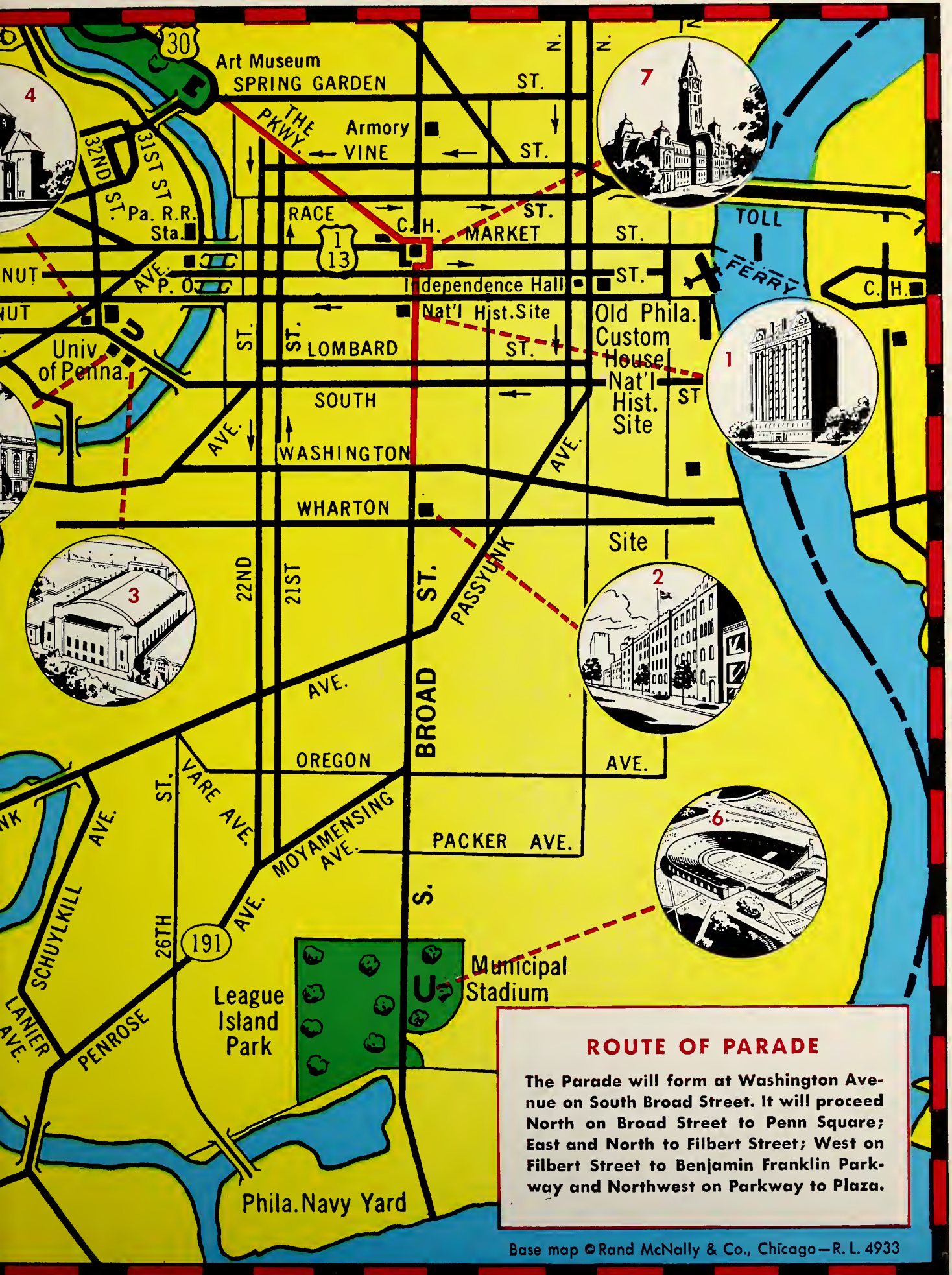


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TUESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 30, 1949

- 8:30 a.m.** Convention reconvenes, Irvine Auditorium, Philadelphia, Pa.
Advance of Colors
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Hubert A. Goode
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Willis C. Reed, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. J. Pat Kelly, National Chaplain
Preamble
- 9:40 a.m.** Report of Convention Committees:
Constitution and By-Laws, Mrs. J. Fred Breene, Chairman
Americanism, Mrs. Willis C. Reed, Chairman
Community Service, Mrs. Francis S. Gerber, Chairman
Junior Activities, Mrs. Carl W. Zeller, Chairman
Presentation of Distinguished Guests
Report of Convention Committees:
Legislative, Mrs. Jerome Duggan, Chairman
National Security, Mrs. E. A. Campbell, Chairman
Child Welfare, Mrs. Franklin P. Bowersox, Chairman
Address: General Lucius Clay
Music:
Report of Convention Committees
Education of Orphans of Veterans, Mrs. W. C. Alexander, Chairman
Finance, Mrs. J. J. Jerabek, Chairman
Music, Mrs. John A. Lakeman, Jr., Chairman
Radio, Mrs. Harold S. Burdett, Chairman
Adjournment
Retirement of Colors
- 11:00 a.m.** Parade

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31, 1949

- 9:00 a.m.** Convention reconvenes, Irvine Auditorium, Philadelphia, Pa.
Advance of Colors
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Hubert A. Goode
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Willis C. Reed, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. J. Pat Kelly, National Chaplain
Preamble
Report of Convention Committees
Past Presidents Parley, Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat, Chairman
Rehabilitation, Mrs. Norman L. Sheeche, Chairman
Publications, Mrs. Rae Ashton, Chairman
Address: The Honorable Louis A. Johnson, Secretary of Defense
Report of Eight and Forty: Mrs. Leo C. Colton, Le Chapeau National
Nomination of National Officers
Recess

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, AUGUST 31, 1949

- 1:00 p.m.** Convention Reconvenes
Report of Convention Committees:
Poppy, Mrs. Wm. Bertram Dingle, Sr., Chairman
Membership, Mrs. H. V. Rau, Chairman
Resolutions, Mrs. Leon Brown, Chairman
Pan American Study, Mrs. John B. Kirkpatrick, Chairman
- 2:30 p.m.** Presentation of Distinguished Guests



Adjournment
Retirement of Colors

WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 31, 1949

8:00 p.m. States Dinner, 111th Field Armory, Broad and Wharton Streets

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 1, 1949

9:00 a.m. Convention reconvenes, Irvine Auditorium, Philadelphia, Pa.
Advance of Colors
Call to Order by National President, Mrs. Hubert A. Goode
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Willis C. Reed, National Americanism Chairman
Invocation: Mrs. J. Pat Kelly, National Chaplain
Preamble
Report of Convention Committee
Girls State, Mrs. John Engesather, Chairman
Presentation of President of Girls Nation
Election of National Officers
Report of Convention Committees:
Constitution and By-Laws, Mrs. J. Fred Breene, Chairman
Resolutions, Mrs. Leon Brown, Chairman
Music
Unfinished Business
New Business
Installation of Officers
Presentation of Colors to the Retiring National President, Mrs. Louis J. Lemstra
Adjournment
Retirement of Colors

National Executive Committee Meeting

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WOMEN LEGIONNAIRES PROGRAM

Yeomen F Post No. 50 — Open house at 313 S. Broad Street, LuLu Shrine Temple. This spot will be headquarters for all ex-service women. Women veterans are invited to register at LuLu Shrine.

Refreshments will be served from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 every evening from August 27 to September 1.

Yeomen F Post No. 50 will have a tea at LuLu Shrine Wednesday, August 31. Cards of admission for this tea may be secured at 313 S. Broad Street.

Post No. 412 will act as hostesses at a tea for ex-service nurses. Tea will be held at Wanamaker's, Wednesday, August 31. There will be no charge.

National Yeomen F Reunion of all ex-service women who served in Navy during World War I at Luncheon, 313 S. Broad Street, Monday, August 29. Tickets, \$3.00.

World War Nurses are having a Breakfast Tuesday Morning, August 30, 8:00 a.m. at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Burgundy Room. \$2.75.

Dinner will be held at Palumbo's, 824 Catharine St., for all ex-service women Monday, August 29 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets, \$7.50.

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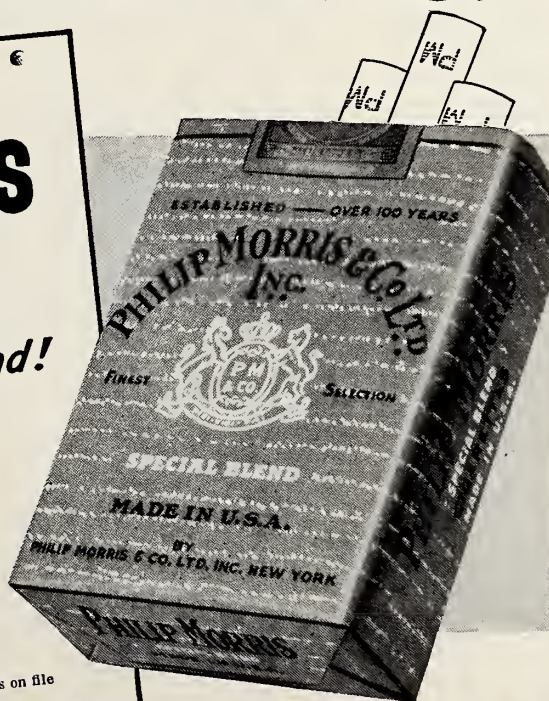
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Hotel Benjamin Franklin, Philadelphia

August 26 and 27, 1949

REGISTRATION

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 1949—10:00 A.M. to 9:30 P.M.

Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th and Chestnut Streets

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 1949—8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Ball Room — Convention Hall, 34th and Spruce Streets



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OFFICIAL PROGRAM

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 1949

Marche Committee Meetings

Convention Hall

CredentialsMrs. Jane Humphreys, *Chairman*
FinanceMrs. Crawford Mortensen, *Chairman*
History JudgesMrs. Ottelia Aaron, *Chairman*
Permanent OrganizationMrs. Edna Marks, *Chairman*
ResolutionsMrs. Lena Williams, *Chairman*
Rules and OrderMrs. Vesta Thomas, *Chairman*
Trophies and AwardsMrs. Lucille Hayes, *Chairman*
Constitution and By-LawsJudge Katherine Stiles Laughton, *Chairman*

2:00 p.m.

Garden Luncheon Honoring LeChapeau National and National Officers—
Residence: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Devine, 1620 Sterigere Street, Jeffersonville, Penna.

7:00 p.m.

LePouvoir Nationale—Exhibition Hall, Convention Hall, Ground Floor, 34th and Spruce Streets

9:00 p.m.

DIVISIONAL CAUCUSES—Exhibition Hall, Convention Hall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 1949

9:00 a.m.

OPENING SESSION—MARCHE NATIONALE, Eight and Forty, Ball Room, Convention Hall, 34th and Spruce Streets

Processional of National Officers and Distinguished Guests

CALL TO ORDER BY LE CHAPEAU NATIONALE, Mrs. Leo C. Colton

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. C. Russell Day, La Concierge Nationale

Invocation: Mrs. George Lum, L'Aumonier Nationale

"Flanders Field"—Mrs. Charles Berg

"America's Answer"—Mrs. J. M. Hadden

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Roll Call—Mrs. George G. Speir, LaSecretaire Nationale

Reading of Call to LaMarche Nationale—LaSecretaire Nationale

Reading of Minutes of LaMarche Nationale of 1948

Greetings from the Departmental of Pennsylvania—Mrs. A. P. Sundry, Chapeau Departmental

GREETINGS BY DEMI-CHAPEAUX NATIONAL and Introduction of Chapeaux Departmentaux

Mrs. Elizabeth Berg Eastern Division

Mrs. Irene LeMarr Southern Division

Mrs. Anatasia MacBain Central Division

Mrs. Lillian Hadden Northwestern Division

Mrs. Hazel Dotson Western Division

REPORT OF SPECIAL MARCHE COMMITTEES:

Permanent Organization—Mrs. Edna Marks

Rules and Order—Mrs. Vesta Thomas

Credentials—Mrs. Jane Humphreys

NOMINATION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

Greetings by:

The Honorable Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia

Mr. Lawrence Trainor, Commander, Department of Pennsylvania

Mrs. D. A. Krumrine, President, Department of Pennsylvania and National Convention

Chairman, American Legion Auxiliary

Response: Mrs. Mary C. Haws, National Chapeau Passe

GREETINGS BY THE CHAPEAUX NATIONAUX PASSE

Mrs. George B. Dobson

Mrs. Harry C. Kehm

Mrs. Walter L. Duval

Mrs. Ann Seymour

Mrs. George Murphy

Mrs. John Allen Gordon

Mrs. Hugh McClung

Mrs. Mary Ellen Fay

Mrs. Mary Conrad Haws

Mrs. Thelma Chenault

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PRESENTATION OF MARCHE CHAIRMEN by the National Chairman of the Marche Committee,
Mrs. William Rowen and Co-Chairman, Mrs. A. P. Sundry

Presentation of:

LaMarche Nationale—Mrs. Elsie Schulta and Mrs. Ruth Brown
Musicienne Nationale—Mrs. Edward Schafer
LaMarche Nationale Soloist—

Presentation of National Pages:

Mrs. Pearl Trudell, Chairman
Mrs. Sara McCorkle
Mrs. Francis Wieske
Mrs. Betty Samuelson
Mrs. Helen Guilette

National Chapeau's Personal Aide—Mrs. Constance Sundry

National Chapeau's Personal Pages—

Mrs. Elizabeth Gilley
Mrs. Francis Snow

REPORT OF LeCHAPEAU NATIONALE—Mrs. Leo C. Colton

REPORTS OF THE NATIONAL OFFICERS:

LaSecrtaire-Caissiere Nationale—Mrs. George G. Speir
L'Avocate Nationale—Mrs. John Allen Gordon
L'Archiviste Nationale—Mrs. Seth Patridge
National Hat Box Editor—Mrs. R. A. Stratton

MEMORIAL SERVICE—Mrs. George A. Lum, L'Aumonier Nationale

ADJOURN FOR LUNCH

1:30 p.m.

MARCHE CONVENES

GREETINGS BY:

Mr. Perry Brown, National Commander, The American Legion
Response: Mrs. Crawford Mortensen

Mrs. Hubert A. Goode, National President, American Legion Auxiliary
Response: Mrs. Ellen Lou Warren

Mr. Harold Riley, Chef de Chemin de Fer, The Forty and Eight
Response: Mrs. George B. Dobson

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND INTRODUCTION OF AREA CHAIRMEN

Finance—Mrs. Crawford Mortensen
Child Welfare—Mrs. George Huish
Hat Box Subscriptions—Mrs. Irene Roveria
Partnership Committee—Mrs. Herman Edwards
Ritual and Emblems—Mrs. Elizabeth Rowen
Trophies and Awards—Mrs. Lucille Hayes
Special Committee—Preparation of Mandate Handbook—Mrs. Mary Ellen Fay
Constitution and By-Laws—Judge Katherine Stiles Loughton

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Lena Williams, Chairman

Unfinished Business

New Business

Ratification of Election of Les Demi-Chapeaux Nationaux

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESENTATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

Song: "LONG LONG TRAIL" led by Musicienne Nationale

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8:00 p.m.
SHARP

MARCHE NATIONALE BANQUET

Garden Terrace, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Presentation of Le Chapeau National Pin by Mrs. George B. Dobson

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1949

8:30 a.m.
SHARP

MARCHE NATIONALE POST—POUVOIR MEETING

Exhibition Hall, Convention Hall, 34th and Spruce Streets

MARCHE NATIONALE COMMITTEES

NATIONAL MARCHE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Elizabeth Rowen

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Mrs. Pearl Trudell

LA MUSICIENNE

Mrs. Edward Schafer

COMMITTEES

Badges

Mrs. Harry Bartle

Banquet

Mrs. Arthur Yealy, Chairman
Mrs. J. M. Kilgannon, Co-Chairman

Banquet Seating

Mrs. Howard Mullane

Distinguished Guests

Mrs. Constance Sundry, Chairman
Mrs. Isabel Meany, Co-Chairman
Mrs. Anne Dobson
Mrs. Mary Haws

Entertainment

Mrs. Robert Butterwick, Chairman
Mrs. Lillian Ward, Co-Chairman

Favors

Mrs. William Jones

Flowers

Mrs. Elizabeth Rowen, Chairman
Mrs. Harry Fox, Co-Chairman

Finance and Dinner Reservation

Mrs. James DeLong

First Aid

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Mrs. Ralph Badger, Co-Chairman

Halls and Seating

Mrs. Samuel Millinghausen

Hospitality

Mrs. L. Darlington, Chairman
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Mrs. John Collins, Chairman
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Luncheon

Mrs. Charles Devine

Memorial

Mrs. C. Winfield Ott, Aide to National
L'Aumonier

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Mrs. Mollie Myers, Co-Chairman

Registration

Mrs. Harry Feldman, Chairman
Mrs. Daniel Quinn, Co-Chairman

Reception

Mrs. Charles Hary, Chairman
Mrs. Milton Wynkoop, Co-Chairman

HISTORIES, TROPHIES AND SCRAP BOOKS

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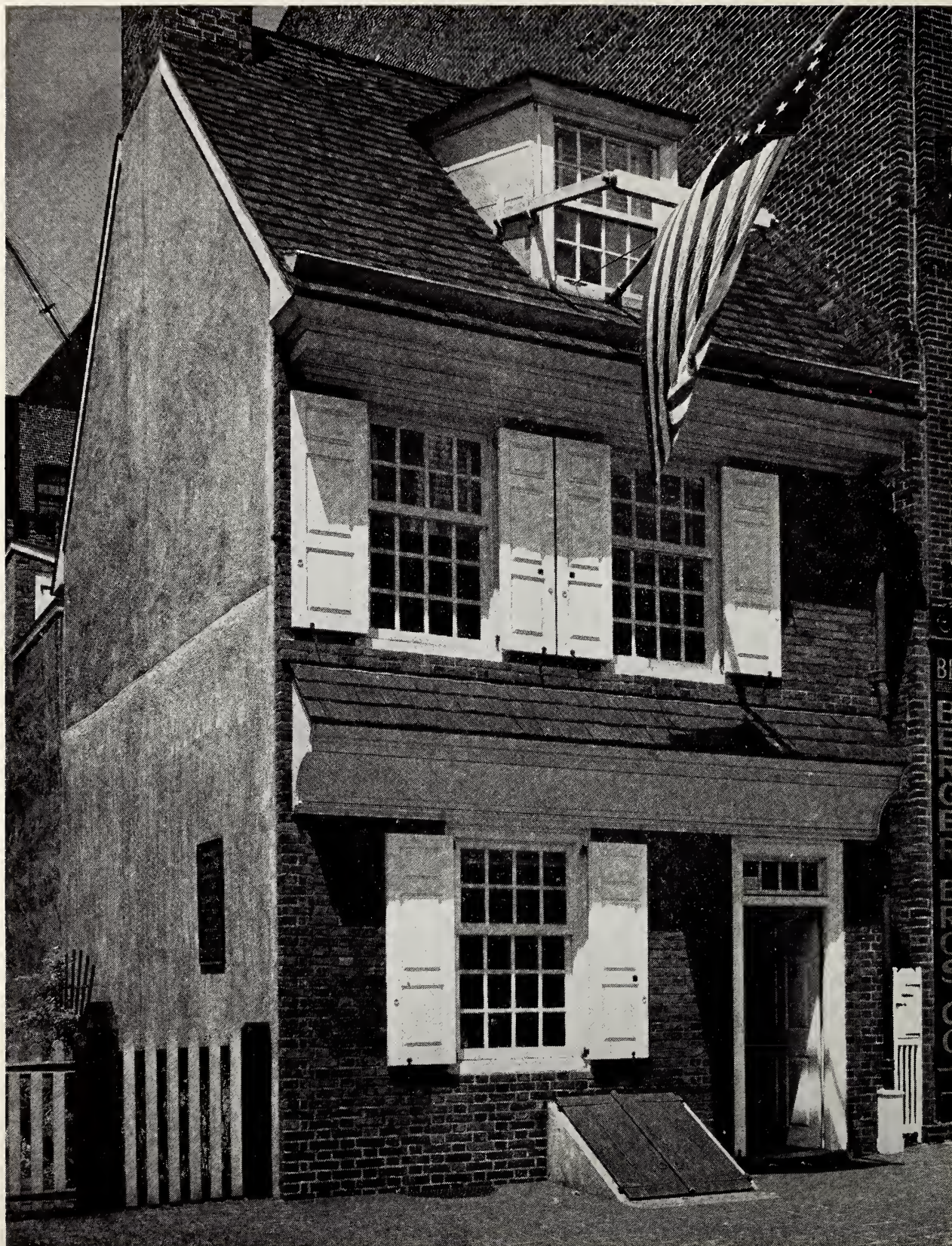
Here's to you—for helping to keep the American ideal untouched by fifth-column infection . . .

Here's to you—for helping to stand guard against all “isms” alien to the rights of man . . .

Here's to you—for helping to serve and comfort those of our land who have dared death on the battlefronts of freedom . . .

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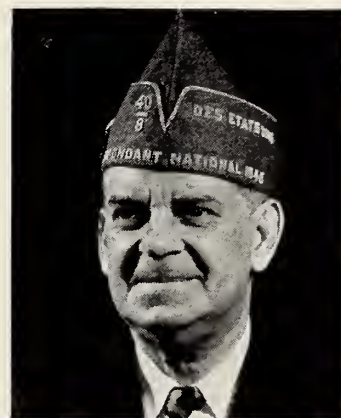
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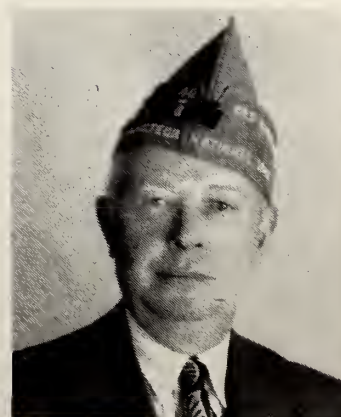


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LA SOCIETE DES 40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX

AUGUST 28, 29 AND 31, 1949
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA



SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 1949

- 9:00 a.m. to** Registration: Bellevue Stratford Hotel, Broadwood Hotel, and Commercial Museum, 34th Street
- 5:00 p.m.** below Spruce Street, Philadelphia.—Registration fee \$1.00.
- 1:00 p.m.** Meeting of Cheminots Nationaux 1949—Commercial Museum, 34th & Spruce Streets.
- 2:00 p.m.** Meeting of Committee on Credentials, Commercial Museum.
- 2:00 p.m.** Meeting of Committee on Permanent Organization, Commercial Museum.
- 2:00 p.m.** Meeting of Committee on Rules and Order, Commercial Museum.
- 9:00 p.m.** Band Concert, Promenade Nationale Band, Voiture 788, Oil City, Pennsylvania, Commercial Museum.
- 10:00 p.m.** Opening Session, Promenade Nationale, Commercial Museum.
- Call to order by Chef de Chemin de Fer Harold J. Riley.
- Advancement of Colors.
- Invocation by Aumonier National Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Lawless.
- Grande Voiture of Delaware Drum and Bugle Corps, National Champions 1949.
- Reading of Promenade Nationale Call.
- Greetings: Dr. A. H. Wittmann, Promenade Nationale Chairman.
- Address of Welcome: Grand Chef de Gare Harry T. Kenvin, Grande Voiture of Pennsylvania.
- Address of Welcome: Honorable Bernard Samuel, Mayor of Philadelphia.
- Greetings from The American Legion, National Commander Perry Brown.
- Response: Chef de Chemin de Fer Harold Riley.
- Report of National Officers:
1. Chef de Chemin de Fer.
 2. Commissaire Intendant National.
 3. Correspondant National.
 4. Historien National.
 5. Avocat National.
- Report of Committees on:
1. Credentials.
 2. Rules and Order.
 3. Permanent Organization.
- Announcements, Committee Appointments, etc.
- 11:00 p.m.** Memorial Service conducted by: Aumonier National Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Lawless.
- Retirement of Colors.
- Recess.

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L.M. Simpson



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MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 1949

- 9:00 a.m.** Meetings of all Committees other than—Credentials, Rules and Order and Permanent Organization Commercial Museum.
- 5:00 p.m.** Promenade Nationale Parade.
- 9:30 p.m.** Second Session, Commercial Museum
Call to order by Chef de Chemin de Fer Harold J. Riley.
Advancement of Colors.
Invocation by Aumonier National Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Lawless.
Report of Committees on:
 1. Paraphernalia.
 2. Voiture Activities.
 3. Finance.
 4. Resolutions.
 5. Child Welfare.
- 10:30 p.m.** Retirement of Colors.
Recess

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1949

No session—The American Legion Parade.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31, 1949

- 10:00 a.m.** Meetings of all Committees with unfinished business only, especially Resolutions, Ritual and Constitution Committees.
- 1:00 p.m.** Call to order by: Chef de Chemin de Fer Harold J. Riley.
Advancement of Colors.
Invocation by Aumonier National Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Lawless.
Reports of Committees on:
 1. Ritual.
 2. Trophy and Awards (Permanent Committee).
 3. Resolutions (Supplementary, if any).
 4. Constitution.
New Business.
- 2:15 p.m.** Election of Officers:
 1. Chef de Chemin de Fer.
 2. Sous Chefs de Chemin de Fer (six)
 3. Commissaire Intendant National
 4. Aumonier National.
 5. Historien National.
 6. Gardes de la Porte Nationaux (two)
 7. Drapeau National.
Retirement of Colors.
Benediction by Aumonier National-elect 1950.
Meeting of Cheminots Nationaux 1950 immediately following adjournment of Promenade Nationale.
- 6:30 p.m.** Annual Forty and Eight Banquet, Broadwood Hotel, Broad and Wood Streets, Philadelphia. Tickets limited to 1000. \$7.00 per person.



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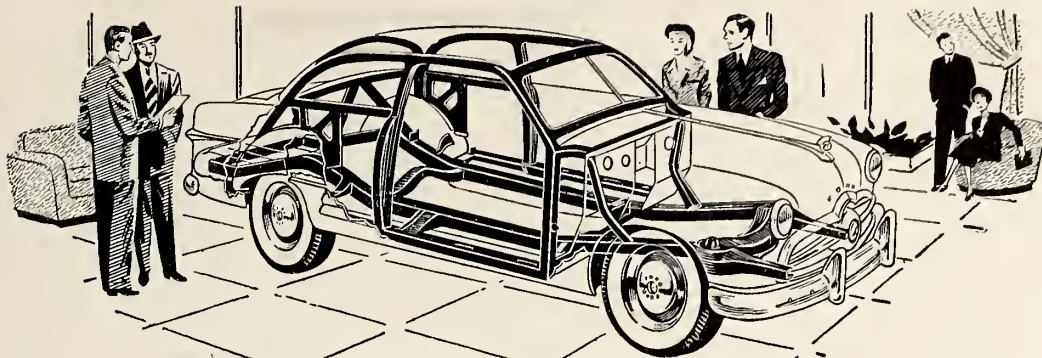
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1. THE PARADE will be held Monday afternoon, August 29, 1949. The parade will be formed in six divisions, each division to be at its designated station at 4:15 p.m. assembly time: Parade will move off at 5:00 p.m. sharp.
2. ASSEMBLY AREA will be from Girard Avenue to Columbia Avenue east and west of Broad Street, from 12th to 18th Streets.
3. ROUTE of the parade will be south on Broad Street from Oxford Street to Filbert Street, west on Filbert Street to the Parkway, northwest on the Parkway to 23rd Street, where it will disband.
4. UNIFORMS for the parade will be smocks and chapeaux, insofar as possible.
5. REGULATIONS for the formation of the parade are as follows:
 - (A) All Grande Voiture delegations will be headed by their Grande Officers and will march eight abreast with sixty inches between ranks.
 - (B) The following distances will be maintained:
 - (a) Twenty paces between divisions.
 - (b) Ten paces between Staff Officers.
 - (c) Ten paces between Grande Voitures.
 - (d) Six paces between Grande Voiture Officers.
 - (e) Six paces between the front and rear of each feature.
 - (f) Guidon bearers will march three paces to the rear and one pace to the right of their leaders.
 - (g) Motor vehicles shall maintain at least 30 feet distance.
 - (C) All musical units for all divisions will form with their respective Grande Voitures in the division to which assigned.
 - (D) Box cars and mobile features will form with their respective Grande Voitures. All box cars will follow their respective Grande Voitures. NO ONE OTHER THAN TRAIN CREWS WILL BE PERMITTED TO RIDE IN PARADE ON BOX CARS OR LOCOMOTIVES.
 - (E) Each Grand Chef de Gare will assign three contact Voyageurs who will act as liaison messengers between the Deputy Marshal and their Grande Voiture. Such Voyageurs will report to the Deputy Marshal at 4:15 p.m.
 - (F) The Marshal for each division will report to the Parade Chief of Staff the strength of each Grande Voiture and the number of musical units, respectively, as soon as the formation of the division is completed—but in any event, not later than 4:30 p.m.
 - (G) First aid stations with ambulances with doctors and nurses for first aid work will be stationed along the line of march.
 - (H) No motor vehicles will be permitted in the parade without official authorization from the Chief of Staff.
 - (I) Any Voyageur parading under the influence of intoxicating liquors will be removed from the parade by the Police Department.
 - (J) Message center will be at the southwest corner of Broad and Oxford Streets.
 - (K) The reviewing stand will be located on the north side of the Parkway between 21st and 22d Streets. (Due notice will be given.)
 - (L) All Box Cars, Locomotives and ancient and decrepit automobiles will report immediately upon arrival to Box Car Headquarters on the special parking area provided for the duration of the Convention, on the north side of Market Street, west of 30th Street Station of the Pennsylvania Railroad. On Monday afternoon, August 29, 1949, at 1:30 p.m., the judging of all Box Cars and Locomotives, as well as old autos, will be held. All those desiring to enter must be on the lot by 12:00 noon of that day. Albert R. Gillespie, Chairman of the Box Car



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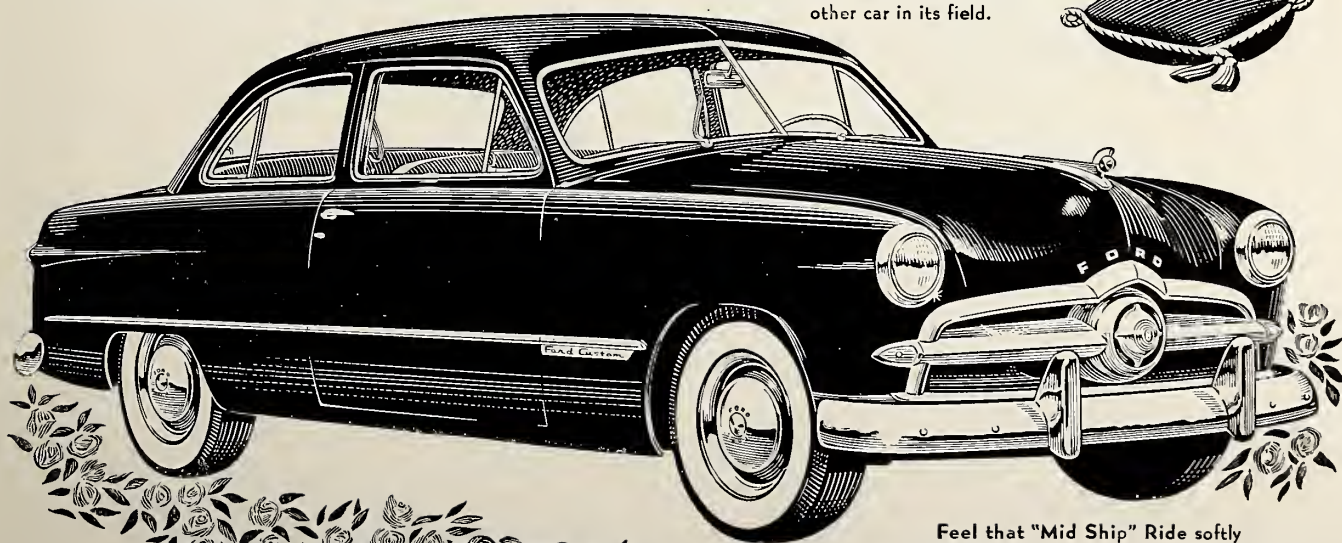


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(M) All musical units will be judged for prizes while passing the reviewing stand.

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Grand Marshal, Guy Land, Chef de Chemin de Fer 1948 and Aides
Deputy Grand Marshals, Dr. A. H. Wittmann, Lt. Col. Henry F. Bamberger

FIRST DIVISION

Assembly

Marshal, Clarence E. Smith, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1949
Deputy Marshals, Raymond O'Eyler, Edward Oeters
Promenade Nationale Band, Voiture 788, Oil City, Penna.

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Phil E. Clements, Historien

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E. J. Ledford, Garde de la Porte
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Promenade Nationale Drum and Bugle Corps

Grand Voiture of Delaware, Wilmington, Del.

SECOND DIVISION

Assembly

Marshal, Rufe Hunt, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer 1949
Deputy Marshals, William Bispels, William Helriegel, Jr.
2. Illinois 3. Indiana 4. New York

THIRD DIVISION

Assembly

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Assembly

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| 9. Wisconsin | 14. Washington | 19. West Virginia | 24. Georgia |
| 10. Massachusetts | 15. Texas | 20. Kentucky | 25. Louisiana |
| 11. Minnesota | 16. Florida | 21. South Carolina | 26. Colorado |
| 12. North Carolina | 17. New Jersey | 22. Mississippi | 27. Maine |
| 13. Missouri | 18. Oregon | 23. Kansas | 28. Maryland |

FIFTH DIVISION

Assembly

Marshal, Max Berenberg, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer 1949

Deputy Marshals, Albert Gillespie, Clarence Evans

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|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 29. Connecticut | 36. South Dakota | 42. Alabama | 48. New Mexico |
| 30. New Hampshire | 37. Arkansas | 43. Vermont | 49. Wyoming |
| 31. Oklahoma | 38. Arizona | 44. Idaho | 50. Alaska |
| 32. Tennessee | 39. Montana | 45. Utah | 51. Hawaii |
| 33. Nebraska | 40. Rhode Island | 46. Delaware | 52. Panama |
| 34. Virginia | 41. District of Columbia | 47. Nevada | 53. France |
| 35. North Dakota | | | 54. Mexico |

SIXTH DIVISION

Assembly

Marshal, John T. Wynne, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer 1949

Deputy Marshals, George Walters, Edward Johnson

1. PENNSYLVANIA, HOST GRAND VOITURE — In Following Order:
Northwest District, Southwest District, North Central District, South Central District.
Northeast District and Southeast District.

ASSEMBLY AREA

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| First Division | West side Broad Street, north of Oxford Street, facing south |
| Second Division | |
| 2. Illinois | South side Oxford Street, west of Broad Street, facing east |
| 3. Indiana | South side Oxford Street, west of 15th Street, facing east |
| 4. New York | North side Oxford Street, east of Broad Street, facing west |
| Third Division | |
| 5. Ohio | South side of Jefferson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east |
| 6. California | South side of Jefferson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east |
| 7. Michigan | North side of Jefferson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west |
| 8. Iowa | North side of Jefferson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west |
| Fourth Division | |
| 9. Wisconsin | South side of Master Street, west of Broad Street, facing east |
| 10. Massachusetts | South side of Master Street, west of Broad Street, facing east |

REUNIONS

Ex-Service Women

Palumbo's 8th Street at Catharine, Phila.
Convention Banquet—Monday, Aug. 29—
7 p.m.

*Mrs. Anna Wahl, c/o Phila. County
Council, A. L., 1606 Summer St., Phila.

The National Yeomen F

Shrine Club, 313 S. Broad St., Phila.
Annual Luncheon and Reunion—Mon-
day, Aug. 29—Noon.

*Mrs. Agnes Spangenberg, Shrine Club,
313 S. Broad St., Phila., Pa.

World War Nurses

Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Broad St. at
Walnut, Phila.

Reunion Breakfast—Tuesday, Aug. 30.

*Miss Lena Kaufman

American Legion Founders Ass'n.

The Union League House, S. E. Cor. 15th
St. at Sansom, Phila.

Social Meeting

Reunion Dinner—Aug. 27—7 p.m.

*Wm. H. McIntyre, Union League House,
140 S. Broad St., Phila., Pa.

National Ass'n. American Balloon Corps Veterans

Hotel Sheraton, 19th St. at Walnut, Phila.
Aug. 27—31.

Reunion Dinner—Aug. 29—7:00 p.m.

*Craig S. Herbert, 3333 N. 18th St., Phila.
40, Pa. RA. 5-4627

56th Engineers

Search Light Battalion Reunion.
Register in Lobby of Bellevue-Stratford
Hotel August 29th—September 1st.

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11. Minnesota	South side of Master Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
12. North Carolina	South side of Master Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
13. Missouri	South side of Master Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
14. Washington	South side of Master Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
15. Texas	South side of Master Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
16. Florida	South side of Master Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
17. New Jersey	South side of Master Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
18. Oregon	North side of Master Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
19. West Virginia	North side of Master Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
20. Kentucky	North side of Master Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
21. South Carolina	North side of Master Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
22. Mississippi	North side of Master Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
23. Kansas	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
24. Georgia	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
25. Louisiana	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
26. Colorado	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
27. Maine	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
28. Maryland	North side of Master Street, east of 13th Street, facing west

Fifth Division

29. Connecticut	South side of Thompson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
30. New Hampshire	South side of Thompson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
31. Oklahoma	South side of Thompson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
32. Tennessee	South side of Thompson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
33. Nebraska	South side of Thompson Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
34. Virginia	South side of Thompson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
35. North Dakota	South side of Thompson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
36. South Dakota	South side of Thompson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
37. Arkansas	South side of Thompson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
38. Arizona	South side of Thompson Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
39. Montana	South side of Thompson Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
40. Rhode Island	South side of Thompson Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
41. District of Columbia	South side of Thompson Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
42. Alabama	South side of Thompson Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
43. Vermont	South side of Thompson Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
44. Idaho	South side of Thompson Street, west of 17th Street, facing east
45. Utah	South side of Thompson Street, west of 17th Street, facing east
46. Delaware	North side of Thompson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
47. Nevada	North side of Thompson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
48. New Mexico	North side of Thompson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
49. Wyoming	North side of Thompson Street, east of Broad Street, facing west
50. Alaska	North side of Thompson Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
51. Hawaii	North side of Thompson Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
52. Panama	North side of Thompson Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
53. France	North side of Thompson Street, east of 13th Street, facing west
54. Mexico	North side of Thompson Street, east of 13th Street, facing west

Sixth Division

1. Pennsylvania	
Northwest District	South side of Stiles Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
Southwest District	South side of Stiles Street, west of Broad Street, facing east
North Central District	South side of Stiles Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
South Central District	South side of Stiles Street, west of 15th Street, facing east
Northeast District	South side of Stiles Street, west of 16th Street, facing east
Southeast District	North side of Stiles Street, east of Broad Street, facing west

REUNIONS (Cont.)

Chinese American-Legionnaires

Hdqs. 202 N. 10th St., 3rd Fl. Aug. 28-Sept. 1

*Henry C. Jung, 213 N. 10th St., Phila. 7, Pa. WA. 2-1665

Reserve Officers Ass'n.

Hdqs: John Bartram Hotel, Broad St. at Locust, Phila.

Officers Club of Phila.—Aug. 29-Sept. 1

*Major Roger P. Hollingsworth, Pres.
Hotel John Bartram, Phila.

American Legion Press Ass'n.

Palumbo's, 8th Street at Catharine, Phila.
Business Dinner—Sunday, Aug. 28th—7 p.m.

*Jack R. C. Cann

U. S. A. Ambulance SV. Ass'n.

Aug. 29—Sept. 1

Hdqs. Phila. USAAC Post #1. 2559 N. 16th St., Phila., Pa.

Camp Crane, Allentown, Pa. and American Field Sv. Reunions

*Bob Faulkner & Bill Raudenbush, 2559 N. 16th St., Phila., Pa.

Tank Corps Association

WW.I & II.

Hdqs. Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th St. at Chestnut, Phila., Pa.

Annual Banquet: Betsy Ross Room—Wednesday, Aug. 31—8 p.m.

*John S. Carter, 620 Corson St., Norristown, Pa.

Reunion Desk:—Aug. 29 noon to Aug. 31

*Lester D. Gandy on duty.

2nd (Indian Head) Div. Ass'n.

Command Post: 263 S. 22nd St., Phila., Pa.
Aug. 29 to Sept. 1

Information at Reunion Hdqs.

Naval Air Transport Service

Aug. 29—Sept. 1

Information at Reunion Hdqs.

52nd Tel Bn. Signal Corps.

Aug. 29—Sept. 1

*G. R. Jones, 6903 Greene St., Phila., Pa.
Information at Reunion Hdqs.

26th Engineers (WWI)

Aug. 29—Sept. 1

*A. A. Fricks, 246 S. Orange Drv., Los Angeles, 36, Calif.

Information at Reunion Hdqs.

77th Div. and 306th Inf. Ass'n.

Aug. 30-31

Hdqs. 173 W. Cumberland St., Phila., Pa.

*Frank Hughes, 1511 W. Cumberland St., Phila. Pa.

319th Supply Co. Q.M.C.

Hdqs. 1528 Walnut St., 22nd Fl., Phila., Pa.

Annual Dinner—Wed., Aug. 31—6 p.m.

Union League House, S. E. Cor. 15th St. at Sansom, Phila.

*George J. Ourbacker—PE. 5-0300

1st Division Society

WW.I & II.

Hdqs. Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th St. at Chestnut, Phila.—Aug. 26-27

National Banquet—Aug. 27

Command Post: Hotel Essex, 13th St. at Filbert, Phila.—Aug. 28-31

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9th Division Ass'n.

Essex Hotel, 13th St. at Filbert, Phila.
Director's Room—Aug. 28-31
*Robert F. Colflesh, 119 N. Madison Av.
Upper Darby, Pa.

Chemical Warfare SV. Vets. Ass'n.

Vets. both WW's and AC. SV.—Aug. 29-
Sept. 1
*George W. Nichols, RFD. 3, Kingston,
N. Y.
Information at Reunion Hdqrs.

U.S.S. Wilhelmina Band (WW1)

Aug. 29-Sept. 1
*Harry Breyn, 823 Prospect Av. Cleve-
land, 15, Ohio.
Information at Reunion Hdqrs.

26th (YD-Yankee) Division Reunion Dinner

Wednesday, Aug. 31—7 p.m.—Sansom
House, 1304 Walnut St. Philadelphia
*Louis Wintner, 911 Roosevelt Blvd.,
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Yeomen-F—Post 50

Hdqrs. Shrine Club, 313 S. Broad St.,
Phila.—Aug. 27-Sept. 1.
TEA for Post 50, YEOMEN F and visit-
ing SERVICE WOMEN—Wednesday,
Aug. 31—4:30 to 6:30 p. m.

54th Pioneer Infantry

Reunion—Monday evening, August 29,
7:00 p. m. Veterans Corps Room, First
Regiment Armory (103rd Engineers
Armory), Broad and Callowhill Streets.

Department Historians of The American Legion

Breakfast—Tuesday, August 30, 8:30 a. m.,
Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.
National Historian Monte C. Sandlin pre-
siding.

The 35th Division Association will have
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Canada

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Benjamin Franklin Hotel
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Indiana

John Bartram Hotel
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Benjamin Franklin Hotel
9th and Chestnut Streets, WALnut 2-8600

Iowa

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Maryland

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Michigan

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The new national American Legion home will be one of the finest headquarters building housing any organization. It will be 2½ times the size of the present structure.

It is expected that the National Executive Committee will hold its May 1950 meeting in the new building. The fourth floor on which the NEC assembly room will be located, will be air-conditioned.



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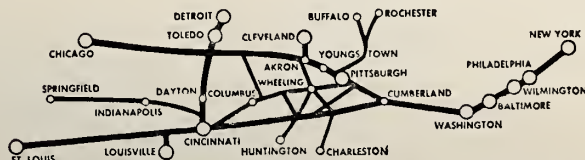
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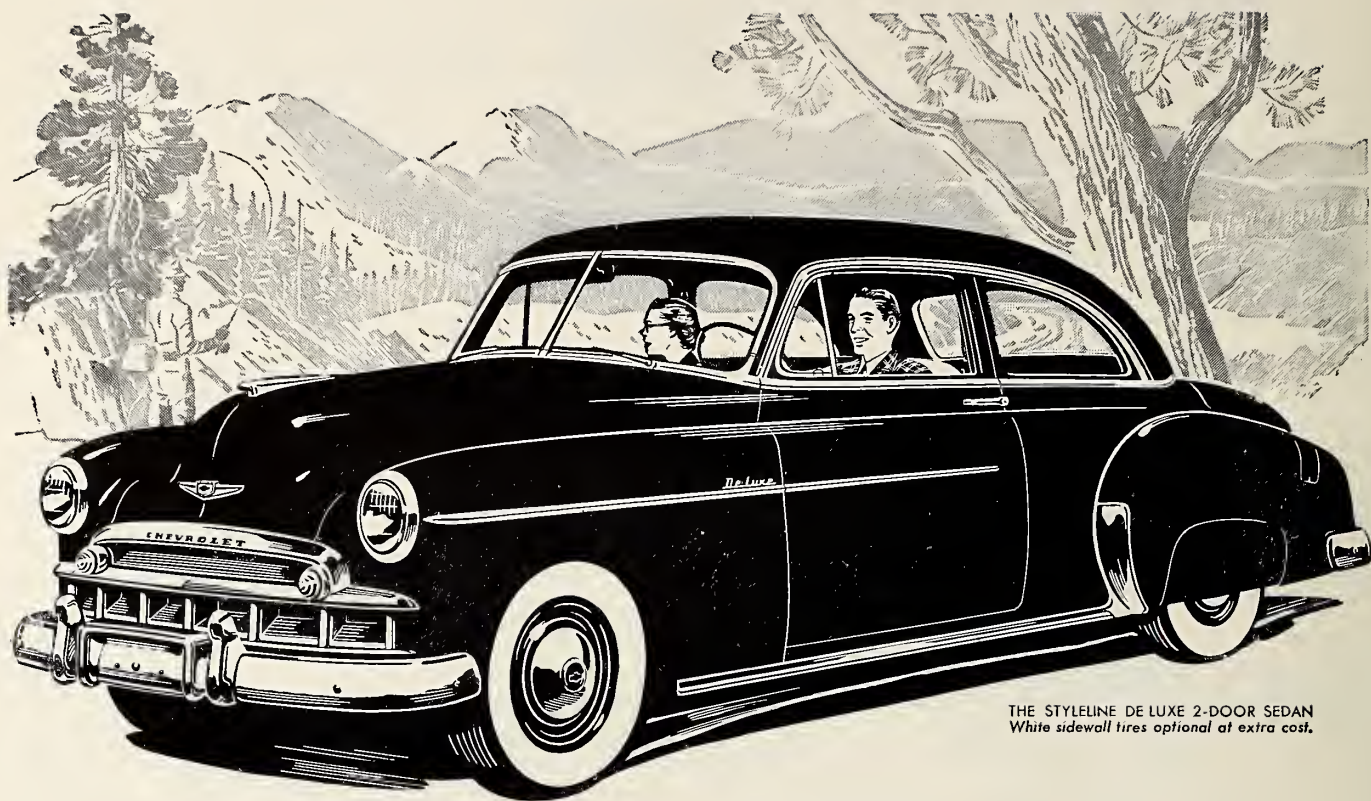
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Pennsylvania

Penn Sheraton Hotel
3900 Chestnut Street, EVergreen 6-9000

Philippine Islands

Bellevue-Stratford Hotel
Broad and Walnut Streets, PEnnypacker 5-0700
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LEGION DOMINATES VET REHAB

The American Legion today enjoys a substantial margin of leadership in the rehabilitation battle for the veteran at the highest government level.

Today The American Legion has 42.42 percent or 1,715 of the 4,042 representatives of 24 national and 45 state organizations accredited by the Veterans Administration as authorized to prosecute claims for government benefits for veterans, their dependents and beneficiaries.

This is a gain of 20 accredited representatives during 1949 or 1.15 percent. It was made during a year when nearly all other organizations lost ground in this top level field.

The latest VA score sheet shows the following breakdown of representatives accredited to the leading organizations in the prosecution of veterans' claims:

THE AMERICAN LEGION, 1,715 or 42.42 percent of the total, a gain during 1949 of 20.

AMERICAN RED CROSS, 376 or 9.30 percent, a loss of 23.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS, 333 or 8.23 percent, a loss of 22.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, 322 or 7.98 percent, a loss of 29.

AMVETS, 227 or 5.61 percent, a loss of 8.

AMERICAN VETERANS' COMMITTEE, 21 or .05 percent, a gain of 5.

Sixty-three other organizations, 1,048 or 25.95 percent, a gain of 17.



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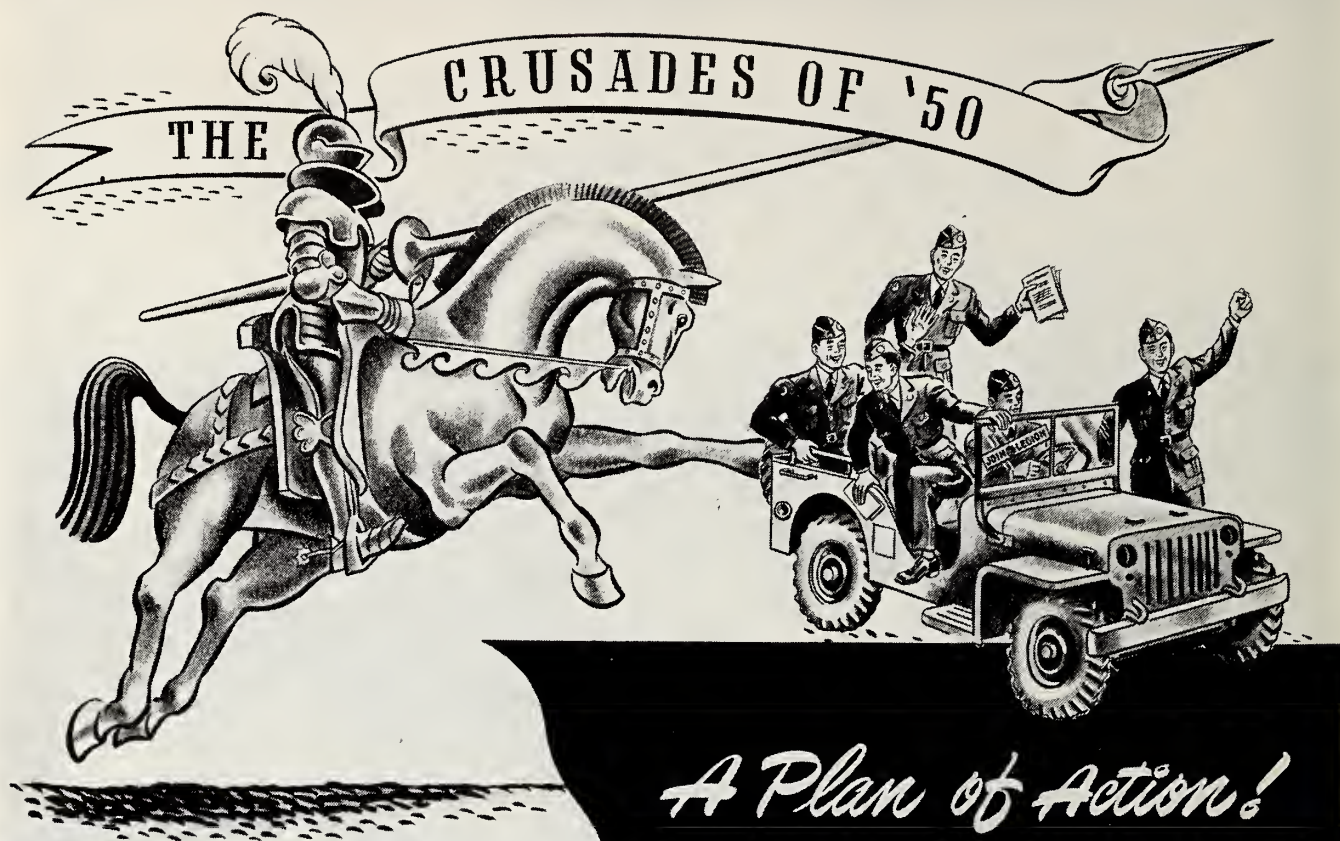
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What Are They?

The American Legion will stage two national drives between now and December 31, 1949 to enroll a record membership for 1950.

These campaigns have been named the MEMBERSHIP CRUSADES of 1950.

The crusades have been designed to dovetail into and to supplement the advance membership programs of the more than 17,300 posts of The American Legion and to provide some national incentives for local efforts.

Why So Named?

The American Legion went back 900 years into medieval history to get the name for its 1950 membership drive.

It did this because in all history there is no better example of organized individual zeal than that displayed by the first young crusaders when they set out in search of the Holy Grail.

That is the kind of zeal which will have to spark the 1950 enrollment campaign if The American Legion is to achieve a new membership record.

Aim of Crusades

The objective of the MEMBERSHIP CRUSADES OF 1950 is to put The American Legion over the top on its national enrollment quota for the ensuing year.

That quota is 3,554,540.

There are nearly 19,000,000 veterans in the United States who are potential members.

They can be enrolled only through crusading zeal.

First Crusade

The first CRUSADE OF 1950 embraces the period from now until Armistice Day, November 11, 1949.

The mission of this first crusade is to re-enroll by that date all 1949 members for 1950.

This crusade starts when the post sends out its first notice to its 1949 members of dues due for 1950. This should be done as early as possible but BEFORE October 20, 1949. It calls for the mailing of second and third statements, if necessary, and an organized campaign by post committees and workers to collect all renewals not promptly sent in by mail.

Second Crusade

The second crusade will start November 12, 1949 and continue until December 31, 1949.

Its objective will be the enrollment of new members.

This crusade will feature a tie-in with Good Neighbor Day on December 7, 1949, when all Legionnaires will be urged to call on their neighbors.

During this crusade, American Legion posts will extend every assistance to veterans of World War II in making applications to the VA for National Service Life Insurance dividend payments. All posts will be provided with these application blanks.



Crusade Weapons

American Legion 1950 membership workers will be known as CRUSADERS.

The crusaders of old wore armor plate. The 1950 crusaders will wear the Blue and the Gold of The American Legion.

The weapons of the first crusaders were lances and swords.

The American Legion crusaders will use the potent arm of publicity.

They will be equipped with revised American Legion promotion material. This will include a new "IT'S A FACT" folder and the pamphlet, "SPECIFIC INVITATION TO VETERANS TO JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION." They will be furnished speech material. They will be given effective blueprints for post community publicity campaigns.

Personal invitations to eligible veterans by individual workers and teams will be emphasized.

Crusade Planning

A new booklet outlining complete post planning and organization for dovetailing its own enrollment activities into the MEMBERSHIP CRUSADES OF 1950 has already been distributed to all American Legion posts.

The plan calls for the immediate creation of a MEMBERSHIP CRUSADES OF 1950 GENERAL POST COMMITTEE.

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In this committee will be vested the responsibility for the crusades' publicity, the selection of team captains and teams, the procurement of supplies, the determination of awards and other details.

Metal Chevron

A metal chevron suitable for attachment to the staff of a standard will be awarded to every American Legion post which by November 11, 1949, equals or exceeds in advance 1950 enrollments its entire membership for 1949. The metal chevrons will be available through department headquarters.



Honor Ribbon

The honor ribbon will be awarded to posts which in their 1950 enrollments, reach or exceed their entire 1949 membership by December 31, 1949. The Honor Ribbon will be available through department headquarters.

Pershing Award

The GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING HONOR AWARD will be pre-

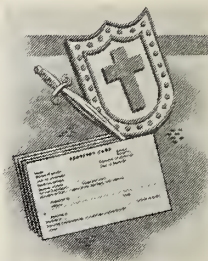
sented to that department of The American Legion which will have the greatest percentage of its posts in the 1950 Honor Ribbon class by December 31, 1949. A miniature of this award will become the permanent possession of the commander of the winning department.

Citations

A SPECIAL CERTIFICATE OF MOST DISTINGUISHED SERVICE will be awarded by National Headquarters of The American Legion to every post which in its 1950 advance membership equals or exceeds by November 11, 1949 its entire 1949 enrollment.

Posts that accomplish by November 30, 1949 an advance 1950 enrollment which equals or exceeds their previous 4-year average membership will be awarded the DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION.

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 Pennsylvania RR—Passenger Information, EVergreen 2-3030
 Broad Street Station, 15th and Market Streets
 30th Street Station, 30th and Market Streets
 North Philadelphia Station, Broad Street and Glenwood Avenue
 Broad Street Suburban Station, 16th Street and Pennsylvania Boulevard
 Reading RR—Passenger Information, WALnut 2-6530
 Reading Terminal, 12th and Market Streets
 North Broad Station, Broad and Huntingdon Streets

Railroad Ticket Offices:

Atlantic Coast Line RR Co., 1329 Walnut Street, PENnypacker 5-3678
 Baltimore & Ohio RR, Broad and Walnut Streets, PENnypacker 5-1900
 Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co., Girard Trust Co. Bldg., 1400 S. Penn Square, LOCust 7-7247
 Lehigh & New England RR Co., Fidelity—Philadelphia Trust Bldg., Broad and Walnut Streets, KINGSley 5-2610
 New York, New Haven & Hartford RR Co., Widener Bldg., Juniper and Chestnut Streets, RIttenhouse 6-4790
 Pennsylvania RR Co., City Ticket Office, 1417 Chestnut Street, EVergreen 2-1000
 Reading RR Co., Reading Terminal, 12th and Market Streets, WALnut 2-6100
 Sante Fe Railway System, Lincoln Liberty Bldg., Broad and Chestnut Streets, RIttenhouse 6-1464
 Southern Railway System, Real Estate Trust Bldg., Broad and Chestnut Streets, PENnypacker 5-2188
 Union Pacific RR Co., Girard Trust Co. Bldg., 1400 S. Penn Square, RIttenhouse 6-2170

Bus Lines:

Greyhound Bus Lines, 15th and Market Streets, SPruce 4-7060
 National Trailways Bus System, 13th and Filbert Streets, LOCust 7-3400
 Quaker City Bus Lines, 1311 Arch Street, LOCust 7-1167
 Reading Transportation Co., 12th and Market Streets, WALnut 2-6100
 Union Bus Terminal, 13th and Filbert Streets, LOCust 7-4300

Steamship Lines:

American Export Line, 12 S. 12th Street, LOMBard 3-5234
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 Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., Lafayette Bldg., 5th and Chestnut Streets, Market 7-7800
 Moore McCormack Line, Inc., Bourse Bldg., 5th Street below Market Street, LOMBard 3-9610
 Stockard Steamship Co., Lafayette Bldg., WALnut 2-2152-5
 Waterman Steamship Corp., 12 S. 12th Street, LOMBard 3-8841

Airlines—Ticket Offices:

All American Airways, Philadelphia International Airport, SARatoga 7-6800
 American Airlines, 1423 Walnut Street, RIttenhouse 6-1355
 Capital Airlines, Philadelphia International Airport, SARatoga 7-6000
 Eastern Airlines, Inc., Bellevue Stratford Hotel Lobby, PENnypacker 5-3051
 National Airlines, Inc., 201 S. 15th Street, PENnypacker 5-1228
 Pan American World Airways, 1636 Walnut Street, KINGSley 5-5100
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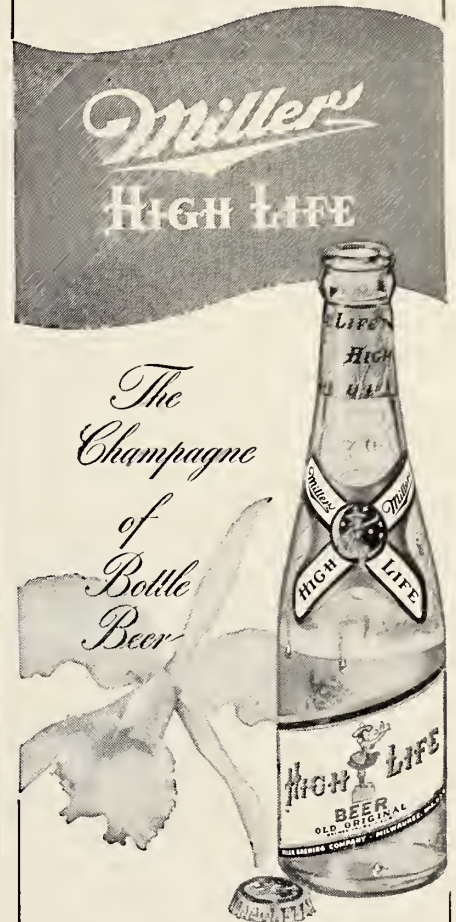
Passenger Airport—Philadelphia International

Southwest Philadelphia

Serving: All American Airways, SARatoga 7-6800
 American Airlines, BELgrade 6-1000
 Capital Airlines, SARatoga 7-6000
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South Carolina

Parker Hotel
13th and Spruce Streets, PENnypacker 5-2300

South Dakota

Chancellor Hall Hotel
206 S. 13th Street, PENnypacker 5-3400

Tennessee

Clinton Hotel
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Texas

St. James Hotel
13th and Walnut Streets, PENnypacker 5-8400

Utah

Walnut Park Plaza Hotel
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Warwick Hotel
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Senator Hotel
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Washington

Warwick Hotel
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West Virginia

Drake Hotel
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Chestnut Hotel
21st and Chestnut Streets, LOcust 7-9537
Lido Hotel
3331 Woodland Avenue, EVergreen 6-2780
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Victoria Hotel
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1950 QUOTA:

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The national 1950 membership quota for the 58 departments of The American Legion, embracing more than 17,329 posts, has been set at 3,554,540 enrollments. This is the same as the 1949 quota.

In announcing the 1950 quota, National Adjutant Henry H. Dudley explained it represented a freeze of the 1949 figure because the Federal Bureau of Census has issued no new report on the shift of the veteran population in the United States since November 25, 1947.

Under the 1950 quota, the Department of New York again got the biggest membership assignment in The American Legion. Its enrollment quota was fixed at 356,815 members for the ensuing year. Pennsylvania's quota is 290,718, second largest. Other department quotas include Illinois 235,860; California 204,810; Ohio 190,798; Texas 160,198; Michigan 143,654; Massachusetts 135,954; New Jersey 105,962 and Indiana 105,097.



LEGION JUNIOR SERIES ON

While The American Legion is meeting in its 31st annual national convention in Philadelphia, Pa., another event of great importance to a million sandlot youngsters of America is taking place in Omaha, Nebraska.

The annual Junior World's Series, climax of the 1949 American Legion Junior Baseball Program, greatest in its history, is being held in Omaha to decide the national championship. Four teams, all of them sectional title holders, are crossing bats in the Nebraska city, August 31 to September 4. They are the survivors of a field of 16,000 teams which started the 1949 season on June 30. Last year the national title was won by Trenton, N. J.

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PROGRAM HAILED

Business and civic leaders throughout the nation have hailed with enthusiasm National Commander Perry Brown's announcement of the new national American Legion program of community economic development.

Briefly, the plan calls for the 17,329 posts of The American Legion to serve as spark plugs in organizing their communities to solve their own economic problems through their own efforts and resources by exploiting untapped local opportunities. American Legion posts are to start the ball rolling by sponsoring public mass meetings or "town hall" sessions at which community action teams are to be organized. Unfilled local needs and wants are to be located through scientific consumer and family surveys.

The objective of the new program is to create new business enterprises, and new jobs and new housing all through organized self-help.

Paul H. Hoffman, ECA Administrator, said:

"The program has, in my opinion, rich potentialities. If the local posts carry it out energetically, a real contribution can be made to the maintenance of prosperity in our country."

U.S. Senator Ralph E. Flanders, Republican of Vermont, said:

"It seems to me that The American Legion has embarked on a very important undertaking. Certainly the local approach provided by these community economic surveys is an ideal method of attempting to solve the problem."

Other favorable comments were made by John D. Biggers, president of the Libby-Owens-Ford Glass Company; Walter D. Fuller, president of the Curtis Publishing Company; Philip D. Reed, chairman of the board, General Electric and Eugene Meyer, publisher of The Washington Post.

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